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The remaining stages of the Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Bill. The Speaker refused to call an amendment, tabled by Mrs Jill Knight and supported by many Conservative backbenchers, calling for the death penalty

Death penalty debate before Christmas

By Hugh Noyes Parliamentary Correspondent Westminster

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and supported by a large number of Tory backbenchers. Most MPs were satisfied with the promise earlier in the day by Mr Short, Leader of the House, that he would arrange a debate on capital punishment before Christmas.

As the second reading of the Bill got under way last night there was deep concern from many Birmingham MPs at the effect of the recent outrages on many of their constituents. In a moving speech, Mr Brian Walden, Labour MP for Birmingham, Ladywood, said he was alarmed that so many people under stress of emotion wished to do or to have done things that could not be justified morally or in terms of benefit to the Government.

He said the Republic of Ireland had no right or power to refuse to accept any of its own citizens who might be deported from Britain. There was no question of allowing those who had citizenship of this country and then to be able to find their way legally into Northern Ireland.

Seldom on such major legislation can Parliament have been so united as it was yesterday on the Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Bill. In spite of a large number of amendments designed either to strengthen or extend the Bill, there was a clear acceptance of the main provisions.

The overwhelming mood in his country was one of vengeance. His constituents wanted revenge for the unbelievable atrocity and carnage committed, but he added, they might have to face the cruel fact that revenge and victory over the IRA could be two separate things. Mr Walden said he had been hearing Birmingham people do nothing to disgrace the city or inflict on the innocent punishment that should be reserved for the guilty.

Mr Jenkins told the House that the proscribing of named organizations could be justified only by the wholly exceptional situation now confronting the country. The Government's aim was to make sure that our defences against further outrages were as effective as possible.

How could we, he said, be asked, that this was not an executive order, but a law of the land, passed by Mary Holland and Thames Television. Parliamentary report, page 14

Labour conference side-steps issue of who controls policy

By Our Political Staff

The Labour Party conference yesterday delicately side-stepped the controversy over who rules the Labour Government or the party's national executive committee. Miss Joan Lester, one of the three ministers who lately challenged Mr Wilson's stand on the doctrine of ministerial collective responsibility, replied to a debate on South Africa and the Simonstowo agreement, and succeeded in taking the sting out of the argument.



Mr Wilson addressing the Labour Party conference in London yesterday. Report, page 8.

As Miss Lester said, Mr Wilson had suggested that she, having kicked over the traces, should make the reply; and she chose to interpret as a compliment what many thought Mr Wilson had intended as a chastising discipline.

"We know the Labour Government is constrained by all sorts of factors, many of them worse than when we came to power in 1964. The critical thing in this relationship is that the Government should always show it has a will to carry out the programme. This is what delegates were getting at. We felt that will floated (that is, on Simonstowo)."

She had a line of escape from embarrassment open to her. The Government's statement on defence cuts has been delayed until next week, which time delegates will have gone home, and she promised that the statement would include the outcome of the ministerial review of the Simonstowo naval agreement.

The focal point of the conference yesterday was Mr Wilson's account of the parliamentary party's stewardship. He used the occasion to read a lesson on the economic facts of life, laced with rhetoric about the Government's economic intervention to do the work that private enterprise has been incapable of doing.

Exoneration for Special Branch

Plans by the Provisional IRA to mount in England a campaign that would "shock the world" were disclosed to the Special Branch by their undercover informer, Mr Kenneth Lennon, who was later murdered. It was stated in a report to the Home Secretary published yesterday.



Princess Elizabeth of Toro (above), also known as Miss Bagaya and, until yesterday Uganda's Foreign Minister, has been dismissed from her post by President Amin because, he said, she had made love in a lavatory at Paris airport with an unknown European. She was also a security risk. Page 9

The report is by Mr James Starritt, Deputy Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, on the actions of police officers concerned with the case. Last night the National Council for Civil Liberties attacked the report as "disreputable" and "a whitewash on the Special Branch".

Arts in danger

Much of what has been achieved by the arts with public funds will be swept away unless the Government increases its grant to keep pace with inflation, the annual report of the Arts Council says. The potential damage to Britain's reputation is out of proportion to the cost.

400 Chrysler men to lose their jobs

Redundancies of nearly 10 per cent among staff employees at its Coventry plant were announced yesterday by Chrysler. About 400 workers will lose their jobs. Overall, about 700 jobs will go throughout the company's British operations as a gradual rundown of the labour force is carried out on a "natural wastage" basis.

Oil negotiation

A three-man team led by the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, Mr Peter Gowers, is negotiating with the OPEC oil producers on the Government's claim for a 51 per cent North Sea commercial oilfields began meets Esso executives today.

Move on rubber price

In a move to stabilize the price, Malaysia announced a 55m scheme to remove from the market. The spot price has been falling in London since early January, news of the scheme improved yesterday 1p higher at 24.25p per kilo.

Eire to try men for terrorism in Ulster

From Christopher Walker Dublin

In the wake of the Birmingham bombings, it appears that the Irish Government is prepared to take unprecedented steps to cooperate with the British in legal measures to clamp down on the activities of the Provisional IRA.

Herr Schmidt ready to shoot from the hip

From Dan van der Var Bonn, Nov 28

When Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, enters the lions' den on Saturday to talk to the Labour Party conference about Europe, he will speak without a prepared text.

Brussels proposes EEC farm price rises

From David Cross Brussels, Nov 28

EEC farmers would on average receive a 9 per cent price rise for their produce in the new year under plans announced by the European Commission in Brussels today.

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From London Irishmen, page 2

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HOME NEWS

UDA and Provisionals agree on no-killing truce in Londonderry

From Robert Fisk Londonderry. The Provisional IRA and Protestant Ulster Defence Association in Londonderry have agreed to a secret truce that neither side will engage again in sectarian murders...

'If you give us Northern Ireland we will return Kilburn and Cricklewood to you' Age shows up differences in IRA attitudes of the Irishmen in London

By a Staff Reporter. In an afternoon spent in a rooming house in Kilburn, London, the IRA men, all in their early twenties, were extremely polite but appeared rather bemused that anyone should question their support for those they regard as bold and daring freedom fighters...

Harrowing scenes at coroner's court

From Arthur Osman Birmingham. The residual fury and the awful grief of Birmingham in the aftermath of the bombings was centred on two adjoining streets of the city yesterday...

Labour 'leap forward in economic thinking'

Continued from page 1. Operations of the National Enterprise Board. The social contract, Mr Wilson said, was a policy with obligations, with responsibilities as well as rewards...

People told to scatter if bomb goes off

Scotland Yard's bomb squad yesterday warned people to scatter from the scene of any terrorist explosion. On Wednesday night a double blast in Chelsea injured eight people, four of them policemen...

Early transfer of Price sisters ruled out

By Our Parliamentary Staff. Mr Jenkins, the Home Secretary, said yesterday that there could be no question of an early move of the Price sisters to Ulster, because of changes in the security situation...

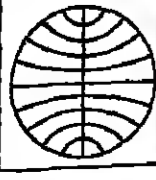
Scots seek action to rescue archaeological sites from destruction by developers

From Ronald Faux St Andrews. Scottish history is being lost irretrievably and at a critical moment, the archaeologists and rescue workers carried out on them and a mere £25,000 of the £1m British budget for rescue archaeology was spent in Scotland...

Interim offer to teachers will be made today

From a Staff Reporter Edinburgh. The crisis in Scottish secondary schools, which has been intensified today by the interim pay award offer announced by the Scottish Education Office...

PAN AM advertisement featuring the slogan 'Only one airline gets you to the centre of New York City this fast.' Includes an image of a Pan Am jet, a 'YOU'RE WELCOME' sign, and a weather forecast table.



PAN AM logo and additional text at the bottom of the advertisement.

"Why I think three years as an Army Officer can equal three years at university."

"The graduate usually has intellectual capacity and development experience but has had little opportunity for responsibility or independent command.

The short service Officer has some considerable measure of intelligence and degree of leadership for he has been commissioned following a quite severe competitive selection procedure and he has also had the opportunity of some independent, if modest, command, usually in a foreign country. This experience invariably has a welcoming, broadening influence on outlook.

In an ideal world we would prefer our trainee to be both a graduate and to have had commissioned service experience but there simply is not time for this. Amongst our more able staff we have both those who join us from university and from the services and we have subscribed to the view that three years as an Army Officer can equal three years at a university for some time."

Anthony Tinker

Chairman, Barclays Bank Limited.

"Those of us who have held both a commission and have an honours degree know that there is no magic in either. For a business such as ours both experiences can be valuable if the man concerned takes advantage of what the university or Army has to offer. To me the important words in the advertisement are "can be equal"; certainly in comparing short service Officers with graduates of the same age we in this firm would expect them to be of roughly comparable intelligence—that is, to have attained in broad measure the same "A" levels on leaving secondary education. The graduate should have learned at university to be more articulate and to be capable of putting his ideas over more rationally but, on the other hand, we would normally expect the Army Officer to have a greater appreciation of how an organisation works and how to work more effectively as a member of a team."

John Swire

Chairman, John Swire & Sons Ltd.

"In his middle twenties the Army Officer, by virtue of his training and experience, shoulders responsibility easily and fits naturally into the hierarchical structure of a large organisation. He usually has a good, plain understanding and he may have brains as well. In short, he usually makes a good leader from the beginning and progresses steadily through the assumption of greater responsibilities.

By contrast the university graduate at the same age has not been trained for the immediate assumption of responsibility and for the leadership of other men. Nor does he usually slip naturally into the hierarchical and authoritarian structure of industry coming, as he so often does, from a campus background where it is fashionable to oppose authority on principle. But he does usually have brains and a good disciplined intellect—and this we value highly.

There is room for both types of men in industry and for that reason we recruit graduates as freely as we recruit Short Service Commission Officers. A proportion of both types progresses to higher management by which time it is often difficult to recall the differences in their original training and discipline."

Frank V. Lloyd

Chairman, Bowater Packaging Ltd.

"In a perfect world a completely rounded education for a young man might well be three years at university and three years military service; while by no means mutually exclusive, both have their particular contribution to make in developing the sort of qualities which we look for. While the services would not, I am sure, claim in general to compete with the universities so far as academic qualities are concerned the universities for their part, and probably because of their inherent nature, do not in general inculcate certain qualities which are the very bread and butter of military life. If we cannot have it both ways then a judicious mix must be accepted and we must rely on being able to integrate the two sorts of qualities to our best advantage. In practice, at the present time, the qualities which can derive more readily from service rather than from university training are perhaps harder to find and are equally—and I believe rightly—being looked for more and more in industry and commerce."

William Hambros

Chairman, Hambros Bank Ltd.

"In practical terms, the universities are our principal source and provide us with well trained minds who then need some time and training before they become fully effective in an industrial setting. The people whom we have recruited from the services, have the advantage of greater maturity and training in handling people and getting a good response from them. This is very important in our type of organisation.

There are therefore advantages in recruiting from both sources and we do not see the statement in the advertisement as exaggerated. The principal problem is attracting the right sort of person, from any source, to a career in industry sometimes because of the misconceptions that people have about it."

A. Crawford

Group Personnel Director, United Biscuits Ltd.

"Academic qualifications are by no means all that we look for in prospective managers. We take into account such qualities as breadth of interest, ambition, commonsense, intelligence, and these qualities are not confined to graduates, as I am sure you will agree.

There is a certain similarity between the job of the young Army Officer and that of the line manager in industry in that both are concerned with organising the activities of a group and getting the best out of them, sometimes in difficult circumstances. From this point of view, a man with three years' Army service is at least equal to, and sometimes more effective than, a man straight from university."

Joseph Rank

Chairman, Rank's Hovis McDougall Ltd.

"We recruit some good graduates every year as well as some officers leaving the Services. So far as the latter are concerned I think I can do no better than repeat what I have just said in our own Gazette:—

"Young men who are thinking of taking short service commissions and who, after leaving the Army will be looking for good career opportunities, will be very welcome to come and talk to us, and we are happy to have the opportunity of saying so publicly now. In our opinion their service training, particularly in the fields of leadership and self-reliance, coupled with the experience and general knowledge acquired during their three years' service in various parts of the world, will often make them as valuable to us as they would have been had they themselves spent those three years at a university."

J. Clarke

Director of Personnel, The John Lewis Partnership.

"We have a substantial graduate intake each year, we also employ some young men who have completed short service commissions. It is true to say that some graduates progress further and faster and contribute more than some ex-Officers. The converse is also true.

It is also our experience that when he first joins us, a man from the Army is likely to have a greater degree of managerial skill to offset against the graduates' stronger academic background. He may therefore, be of more immediate use to us.

You will see from this that I don't believe there is a hard and fast rule, which is why the word "can" seemed completely appropriate to me."

William Ray

Chairman, Ford Motor Company Ltd.

"In our business we need young men who not only have ideas of their own, but also are able to put them across within the firm to an audience that may be sceptical and unsympathetic. He has got to be able to work under pressure in not particularly good conditions and get on well with people of all ages in all walks of life. The fact that a boy has got through the Army's selection procedure, which includes highly sophisticated tests of initiative and leadership, as opposed to the almost wholly academic selection practised nowadays by universities, means he has a good chance of meeting our requirements after three years of the rough and tumble of a subaltern's life as opposed to three in the more cloistered world of a university."

William Grieve

Senior Partner, Grieve, Grant and Co.

"We are not of course saying that three years as an Officer is the same as three years at a university, but that the experience obtained as an Officer often develops desirable qualities equal in value if different in nature from those developed by a degree course.

University graduates should (and usually do) have better trained analytical minds. Soldiers should (and usually do) have a greater readiness to carry out an allotted assignment, without thought for personal inconvenience, energetically and decisively. Both groups usually have a sense of responsibility to employees—lack of this quality, if it were detected, would prevent them getting a job with any leading firm—but they usually approach this from different angles. Members of either group may, with experience and application, acquire the attributes of the other.

In companies within my group for which I have had personal responsibility we have mixed graduates and ex-officers, together with 'home-grown' management from the office and shop floor and some late entrants with industrial experience elsewhere. I am convinced that a mix of this kind is beneficial to the enterprise and also to the managers, particularly in their formative years."

John Rice

Group Chief Executive, Imperial Group Limited.

"Of course the immediate products of the two types of training are not the same in academic terms and some of our jobs require professional or academic qualifications.

On the other hand there are a number of jobs (such as my own) to which an academic background is not specifically relevant.

I have a high regard for the recruitment procedures of the Armed Services and I believe the Army contains a number of intelligent young men who have learned a lot about the theory and practice of managing people. They have also experienced a degree of physical hardship, or at least discomfort, and have had to take direct responsibility for other people almost from the start of their careers. To this extent they may find it easier to adjust to the rough and tumble of business life, which so often calls for common sense and adaptability rather than intellectual excellence, than a graduate with an honours degree in the arts."

Robert Jones

Chairman, British-American Tobacco Company Ltd.

The extracts you can read on this page are from letters in reply to an enquiry by Doctor A. R. Cane, the deputy editor of The Times Higher Education Supplement.

He subsequently published an article in which he concluded that leading businessmen do seem genuinely to value the management training given to a young man by a Short Service Commission.

And that most of them saw it at least as valuable to their companies as the academic training given at university.

(Although it's interesting to note that many agree with Mr C. E. A. Hambro that a perfect education would include both.)

Be that as it may, one thing is certain. A Short Service Commission will open a lot of doors leading to interviews and hopefully, to a sound business career.

It will also leave you fairly well off. As a Second Lieutenant you will start at £2,048 rising to £2,522 as a Lieutenant. On top of which you'll be eligible for a tax-free gratuity of £1,095 when you leave.

If you're between 17½ and 26 and you'd like to measure yourself against the Army Officer Selection Board, write to Major J. R. Drew, Dept. A55, Army Officer Entry, Lansdowne House, Berkeley Square, London W1X 6AA.

Tell him of your education standards, interests and any other experience you may have.

He'll send you all the appropriate literature including a copy of Doctor Cane's article.



Army Officer

HOME NEWS

Inflation threatens to destroy Arts Council achievements

By Kenneth Gosling Arts Reporter

The system of arts subsidy in this country is in danger of breaking down, Mr Patrick Gibson, chairman of the Arts Council, said in London yesterday at a press conference on the council's annual report.

"I lay no personal blame for this on the minister of the arts," he said. "He and his officials are fighting for us as valiantly as they can, but the fact remains that you cannot run this system this way for long."

Mr Gibson said that the estimate in the report that £25m would be required in 1975-76, without allowing for further inflation, to keep going the activities sustained in 1974-75 on £19.5m, must have already been added to by inflation by £1.5m.

More than 30 repertory companies were in serious trouble because the council was not normally told in June what their allocation would be for the following year: so far nothing had been heard from the Government.

If it happens again next year, the whole system of subsidy in this country is going to break down."

An announcement about the Government's intentions on the amount of support for the arts next year is expected within a few days. Some at least of the gloom evident at the press conference is expected to be dispelled, although whether the amount to be announced will take full account of the steep rise in costs over the past year is uncertain.

In a foreword to the report, Mr Gibson said: "There is great anxiety and the guidance of the Arts Council is being sought on all sides. With no indication of next year's grant, little guidance, let alone any more material form of assistance can be given."

To decrease still further the spending on the council's directly promoted activities would save little and would aggravate the present disproportion between support for the performing and the creative arts. A point had been reached where the council needed the maximum flexibility to change and to review existing priorities and policies, yet that was hardly possible without a substantial increase in its resources, unless it was to abandon a significant part of the work it was supporting and had long nourished.

We needed the arts in bad times even more than in good, and the cost of continuing the work was, in national terms, very small. Furthermore, if the best of our artistic institutions were allowed to wither, the damage done to an aspect of our national reputation that still stood high would be totally out of proportion to the money involved.

"It is, above all, in the arts that this country has had its post-war successes and to invest in success must surely be the right course in choosing our present priorities. A government which increased its support for the arts in hard times would have a real claim on the gratitude of posterity."

An examination of the claims on the council's resources and the thinking behind its decisions is outlined in the report by Sir Hugh Willatt, the secretary-general. A claim for extra cash in difficult times was not easy to justify, he says, but he endorses Mr Gibson's warning that without it much achievement since the war would be in jeopardy.

There was a commitment to support many hundreds of trading enterprises, fragile and especially vulnerable to rapid inflation.

In theory the council could make radical policy changes to switch funds into new areas: less to opera and theatre, more to individual artists, to literature or to "community arts".

A decision to do that would be daunting, Sir Hugh says, in the knowledge that much that had been built up over the years, involving local money and service to local audiences, would be destroyed.

Looking at opera, Sir Hugh asks: "Is the Royal Opera Company to disappear and Covent Garden to revert to a system of ad hoc though doubtless glittering seasons? Should we jettison our national achievement of a permanent ensemble of company and orchestra on the international scale, performing each year to 90 per cent capacity?"

There was also the council's obligation to the visual arts and to literature.

The council could not help being, to some extent, the prisoner of its existing obligations. Organizations needed to know that their grant was not for one year only, to enable them to plan ahead with some assurance and to avoid "that recipe for mediocrity—a nagging pressure to play for safety."

The Arts Council of Great Britain, 25th Annual Report and Accounts 1974, Piccadilly, London, W1V 0AU; 75p, p & p 25p.

Warning against panic cuts in welfare

By Pat Healy Social Services Correspondent

Lord Goodman, chairman of the Housing Corporation, yesterday warned the Government against making economies in social policy because of panic over the economic crisis. It was idiotic, he said, to expect the burden of the sacrifices that had to be made to be shared equally when the benefits of society were not equally distributed.

"I do hope that in the panic that rightly exists we shall not be driven into a belief that there are certain areas of social activity in which economies are a possibility," he told the Age Concern conference in London.

Housing provision for old and infirm people was totally inadequate for their needs. To try to put a brake on the experiments being tried to improve that provision would prove to be a horrible distortion of social values. Economies taken in the light of the very serious, but temporary, economic crisis might affect the social structure for years or even decades ahead.

Society had been very slow to recognize the special housing needs of the elderly and infirm. Although the necessary sympathy and interest were now present, a minority of people insisted on blaming the victims for their plight.

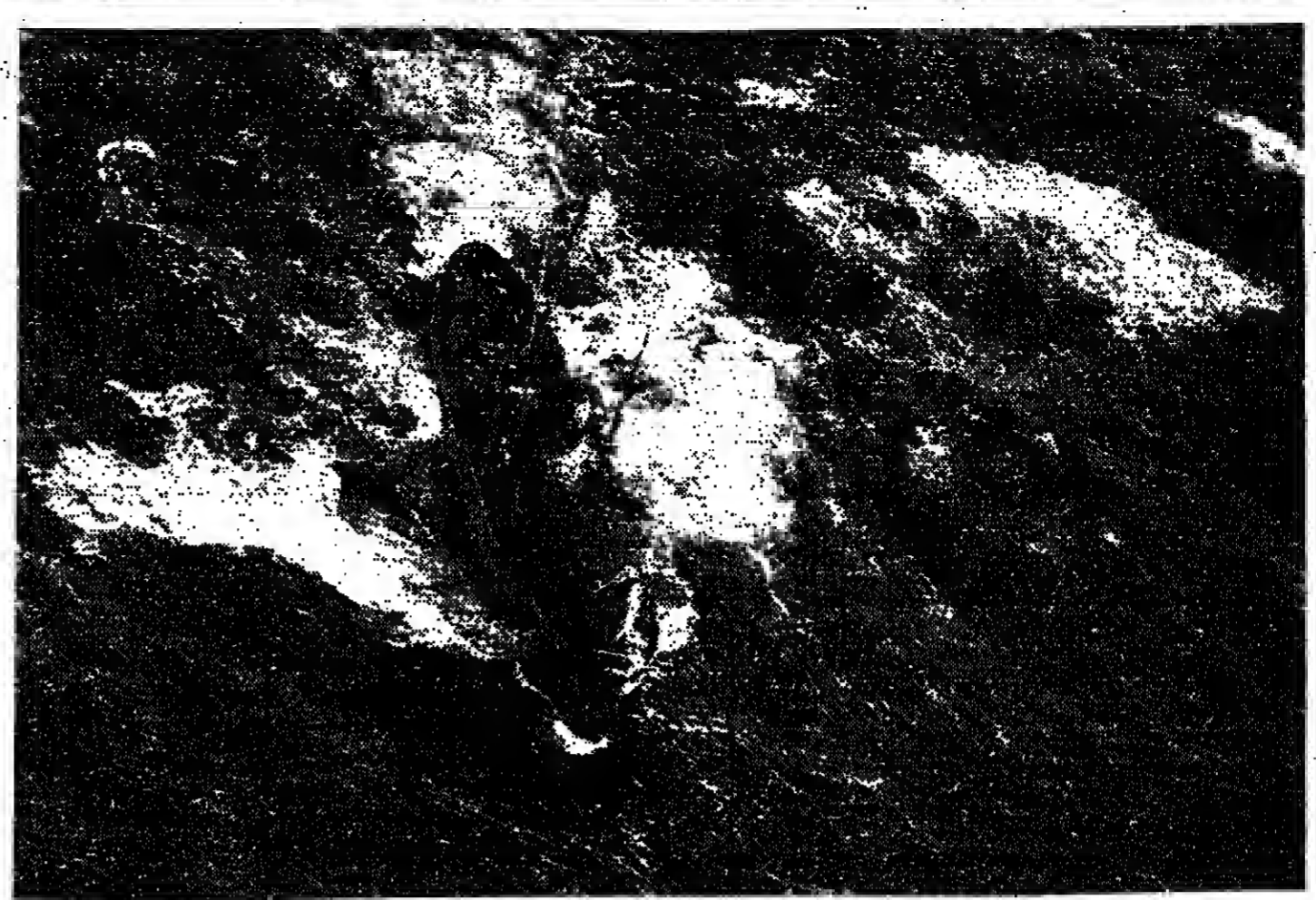
The critics said the housing problem was the concern of individuals, not society. Even where they recognized that infirm and bedridden people could not help themselves in finding better accommodation, they insisted that something could have been done about it in the past. That was one element of the social atmosphere that must be recognized by anyone concerned to provide adequate accommodation for every citizen.

Grant for play space campaign

The Fair Play for Children organization has been granted £46,000 over two and a half years by the Voluntary Service Unit of the Home Office for its campaign for better play spaces.

The campaign began two years ago after the Bishop of Stepney wrote to The Times protesting that a child who drowned in a canal died for lack of proper recreational facilities.

As a result, the National Playing Fields Association organized a coordinated campaign to fight for play facilities throughout Britain.



A Soviet tug, the Agatan, on station off the north of Scotland.

Spy ships change guard off Scotland

From Trevor Fishlock St Mawgan

The Soviet spy ship regularly monitors the movements of British and American submarines off the At coast of Scotland has been relieved by another Nimrod aircraft from St Mawgan, Cornwall, that the regular ship, the AGI (auxiliary general intelligence), left her where she was well placed to watch and listen for the movements of submarines.

Her place was taken by the Agatan, well known to the RAF and Royal Air Force because she usually patrols the Shetland Islands. Intelligence officers presume the position as a temporary measure.

Off the Cornish coast, fleets of Soviet trawlers have been busy in the past few days just outside the 12-mile limit. Although most of them are genuinely fishing, they could provide good cover for spy ships, and any Soviet vessel regarded as having potential intelligence role.

Photograph by Harry Kerr

Mr Pottinger to lose half of his pension

From Ronald Faux Edinburgh

Mr George Pottinger, the former under-secretary at the Scottish Office now serving four years in prison for his connection with the Poulson case, had been dismissed from the Civil Service and would forfeit half his pension, the Scottish Office announced yesterday.

He would also lose the £12,000 lump sum that would have been payable to him in June, 1976, when he reached the age of 60.

The half pension payable to him from the age of 60 will be £2,225 a year. It is the first time the forfeiture provision in the Civil Service pension scheme has been invoked.

Mr Pottinger was first linked with the Poulson case during the bankruptcy proceedings in June, 1972. The following month Mr Heath, then Prime Minister, announced that Mr Pottinger had been suspended on full pay.

A year later Mr Pottinger was arrested and suspended without pay. He appealed on the ground of hardship and was awarded £5,000 a year half salary. That stopped on February 11 this year when he was convicted at Leeds.

Sugar costs push up soft drinks

Sharp increases on several foods were disclosed yesterday and sugar was a leading contributor to several of them.

Schweppes is implementing price rises that were notified earlier this month. Sunburst and Ki-Ora soft drinks will cost up to 2p a bottle more while a large bottle of Pepsi-Cola will rise by 12p. The rises will also put up small bottles and cans of Schweppes label drinks.

Lyons Bakery is raising the prices of more than 30 products by an average of 12p in the pound because of sugar, packaging and threshold pay rises.

Smidley-HP told the trade some days ago that it had been allowed to charge more for its scones and baked beans. The company said sugar was a factor in the increases, while the cost of vegetable puree had trebled in the past year.

Lea and Perrins Worcestershire sauce will rise by about 2p in shops for a large bottle. HP sauce by about 14p and a large tin of HP baked beans by about 1p. One of the largest rises will be of a pound tin of HP tomato ketchup.

The Department of Prices and Consumer Protection said yesterday that home-killed lamb would probably rise by 2p or 3p a pound next week because of higher wholesale prices.

Eggs and bacon are also about to rise again. Goldenlay, the largest egg marketing organization in the country, is to charge an extra 2p a dozen for medium eggs next week. Small will rise by 3p, and large and standard will be unchanged.

Wholesale prices of British, Irish and Danish bacon rose by 1p to 13p a pound yesterday, so most shops will raise their prices in the next fortnight. Fine Fare, the largest retail buyer of home-produced bacon, said yesterday that most of the rise would be imposed on fore-and-aft bacon and gammon. The largest rise was likely to be 5p a pound.

Although wholesale beef prices have risen slightly, there has been little change in shop prices. Publicity about steady beef prices has undoubtedly made many people consider a good, heavy joint for Christmas instead of poultry.

Poultry prices show little change. The cheapest broiler turkey and chicken on the market this week-end will cost 28p and 23p a pound respectively, little above last year's levels.

Wet fields are still making it difficult to lift root vegetables and prices will remain quite high. The Department of Prices and Consumer Protection said yesterday that carrots might go up. There are plenty of rather feeble-looking, expensive leucos, but tomatoes should fall by 2p or 3p a pound to a minimum of 25p.

Cucumbers remain very dear but cauliflowers, sprouts and mushrooms have fallen slightly. Courgettes have become expensive at 45p a pound or more but Courtenay peas should fall to a minimum of 9p a pound. There are still plenty of avocados, starting at 18p each, while the smallest home-grown Cox apples now start at only 10p a pound.

Supermarkets charge more: Beef and lamb prices are lower in independent shops than in supermarkets, where packaging of fresh foods may add up to 25p in the pound, the Price Commission said yesterday.

The average price of fresh meat in July this year was 7p in the pound less than in January, the commission said in its latest survey of fresh food prices. Most cuts of home-produced lamb were more expensive in supermarkets in July than in other types of shop. The commission added: "Supermarkets generally quoted higher prices than butchers."

It said that the average price of all fresh foods fell by more than 4p in the pound in the first half of this year while the retail price index for all foods rose by more than 5p in the same period.

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Hugh Clayton

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Supermarkets charge more: Beef and lamb prices are lower in independent shops than in supermarkets, where packaging of fresh foods may add up to 25p in the pound, the Price Commission said yesterday.

The average price of fresh meat in July this year was 7p in the pound less than in January, the commission said in its latest survey of fresh food prices. Most cuts of home-produced lamb were more expensive in supermarkets in July than in other types of shop. The commission added: "Supermarkets generally quoted higher prices than butchers."

It said that the average price of all fresh foods fell by more than 4p in the pound in the first half of this year while the retail price index for all foods rose by more than 5p in the same period.

BMA extends deadline on consultants' pay

By Our Medical Reporter

The British Medical Association in response to the Government, has agreed to extend the November 30 deadline for the new contract for general practitioners and consultants and the payment of private beds in National Health Service hospitals.

There is likely to be one more meeting of the committee, which is considering the issues. Agreement was reached at the meeting committee yesterday.

There are signs of a compromise, however, and an agreement may be reached by the meetings next week of the Central Committee of the Council of the more radical Consultant's Specialists' Association.

The matter may be referred to the Government's agreement, not only for its commitment by a consultant health service, but for time work and extra duties phasing out private beds hospitals over a longer than within the next year originally proposed.

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Samaritans to set up world organization By Penny Symon The Samaritans are to extend their fight against suicide by setting up Befrienders International to help suicidal and despairing people throughout the world. Announcing that yesterday, the Rev Chad Varah, Rector of St Stephen's, Walbrook, in the City of London, and founder of the Samaritans, said that there would be a proliferation of overseas branches during the next few years. Representatives had been appointed in every continent, and the work would spread to large centres of population. Eventually a national organization would exist in every country. We are determined to make suicide a retreating enemy of mankind all over the world," he said. "It has been proved that the Samaritan method does work in the British Isles, and that is why we are determined to go ahead overseas." Money to run the overseas services would be raised by an appeal in Britain and by the overseas branches themselves.

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'Too little food for too many animals' By Our Agricultural Correspondent Children's ponies should be sold or even shot if their owners could not find enough winter feed for them, the British Veterinary Association said yesterday. Dr Derek Tavernor, the president, said after a meeting of the association's council: "There is a shortfall in fodder supplies and an increased number of animals in this country. Quite simply, more animals are chasing less food." He was speaking on the eve of a meeting at which leaders of the National Farmers' Union are to press the Government to set up an emergency fodder stock of imported supplies bought at public expense. The association said of farm animals: "Only productive animals should be kept. Disposal or slaughter of some animals may be necessary for others to survive."

Academic freedom A column contributed by the Council for Academic Freedom and Democracy is initiated in The Times Higher Education Supplement today by Professor Rodney Hilton. There are also articles on student evaluation of teachers and on the Hudson Institute report, and a profile of Professor Bernard Crick.

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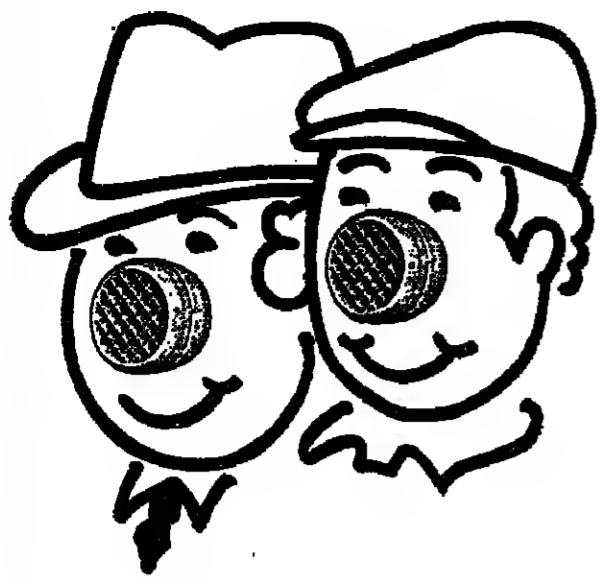


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THE LENNON REPORT

Special Branch men exonerated in Yard inquiry



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By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent Kenneth Joseph Lennon, the Irishman murdered while working under cover as a Special Branch informant, told the police about a Provisional IRA team ordered to mount a campaign in England to "shock the world".

That is stated in a report to the Home Secretary from Sir Robert Mark, Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, and published yesterday, on the actions of police officers concerned with the case.

The report, which is by Mr James Starritt, the deputy commissioner, says Mr Lennon told the police how an armed robbery of a working men's club would be used to finance the assassination of a British Army officer of high rank.

Later the police heard reliably from an independent source that the intention was to kill someone by the name of "F. Kitson". That, the report says, was probably a reference to Brigadier Frank Kitson.

Special Branch officers conspired with other police officers to manipulate the evidence to secure his acquittal. Mr Starritt adds that the inquiry had not disclosed anything to support the contention that improper influences were brought to bear by the Special Branch. Their initial action was confined to confirming that Mr Lennon was an informant, and thereafter such steps as were taken were conducted through official channels.

Mr Starritt says that the unanswered crucial question, not only to the inquiry, but also to the murder investigation now being conducted, is what happened to Mr Lennon and whom did he meet after he was last seen by the Special Branch officers on the early evening of April 9, 1974.

It would be idle to speculate on this, but hopefully, the answer may be forthcoming when the murder is solved.

Mr Starritt adds that it need hardly be said that, if Mr Lennon had conveyed any fears for his safety and well-being to Mr Wickens, ample arrangements would have been made forthwith to safeguard him.

Having had the duty of an informant accepted in Irish republican extremist circles, Special Branch officers were prepared to go to great lengths to ensure his protection.



Kenneth John Lennon... motives were purely mercenary, the police concluded.

Mr Starritt has compiled his report of the police involvement with Mr Lennon almost entirely from written reports, memoranda, telephone messages and other records, most of which were made at the time, he says, or shortly after the events and which can, if necessary, be produced.

The report, relating the police record of events, says that at about 4.45 pm on Friday, July 27, 1973, an anonymous telephone call was received in the information room at Scotland Yard by Police Constable C. O. Edwards, from a man who said he wished to speak to someone in Special Branch about

himself as Mr Lennon and then disclosed that he lived at 25 Francis Street, Luton, the girl accompanying him being his eight-year-old daughter.

He said he was unemployed and had come to London to visit his sick wife, who was a patient in the National Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Finchley. Mr Lennon then volunteered the information that there was a team of five Christian IRA men living in the Luton area who had received orders from Ireland to mount a campaign in England "to shock the world".

The first stage of the campaign was due to take place on August 9, 1973, when a British Army officer of high rank was to be abducted and later murdered. That act would be preceded by an armed robbery at a working men's club somewhere in Luton on Monday, August 5, the proceeds of which would be used to finance the assassination.

He told the officers that he had information to impart about the IRA which he was prepared to divulge for payment. Eventually, after a lot of begging, he identified

in question, Mr Wickens took the opportunity to impress on him that no immunity from arrest or prosecution could be granted to him and should he be arrested for any crime or contravene those instructions he would undoubtedly be arrested and dealt with.

Mr Lennon then restated that, despite those restrictions, he was prepared to cooperate with the police and was prepared to travel anywhere in Great Britain or even to Northern Ireland, if required to do so, provided he was adequately compensated financially.

Mr Wickens handed Mr Lennon £10 and it was agreed that he (Mr Lennon) would use a pseudonym "John West" when making further contact. (The name of the detective chief superintendent in the television series *Softly Softly* is John West.)

Evaluation of the latest information furnished by Mr Lennon showed that the target for the proposed robbery, the Chrysler Working Men's Club, was in fact the Chrysler Club, Bedfordshire. Acting on the information, Bedfordshire and Luton officers kept observation on the premises during the afternoon, but nothing noteworthy happened.

At lunch time the next day, August 6, Lennon telephoned Mr Wickens. He could not explain why the robbery had not taken place but said he expected the operation planned for Thursday, August 9, would take place. He was instructed to report any developments at the very latest by the morning of August 8.

In spite of that instruction, it was thought wise to begin surveillance on the suspects, named as Mealey, Campbell and Sheridan, and their addresses in the Luton area were ascertained. This was done by a combined force of local officers, No 5 regional Crime Squad and Metropolitan Special Branch under the control of Det Chief Supt Grant, Bedfordshire and Luton Constabulary.

The observations were maintained throughout the whole of August 8 and the early hours of August 9, but nothing of any significance occurred. At 11 am on August 9 Mr Lennon telephoned Mr Wickens and reported that the robbery and that the three persons previously mentioned would take part.

The more intensified surveillance resulted in strong evidence being obtained to show that Mealey, Campbell and Sheridan were conspiring to commit an armed robbery, for which offence they were ultimately arrested during the afternoon of August 9. In addition, as they had been found in possession of a stolen motor vehicle, firearms and other relevant paraphernalia, appropriate further charges were preferred against them.

On their final appearance before the St Albans Crown Court on December 6, 1973, all three were convicted and each was sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment.

The report comments: "Nothing has been discovered during the current inquiry to suggest that Lennon contravened the instructions previously given to him by Det Inspector Wickens by participating in any offences for which the 'Luton Three' (as they became known) were convicted, nor was any allegation made during the course of the trial that any other party was involved. It is worthy of note that at 1 pm on the afternoon of August 9, in addition to the offences Lennon was in the company of Det Inspector Wickens at Paddington Railway Station."

(Later the report adds: "On 27.8.1973 reliable information was received by Luton police from an independent source that on the day of the Luton group's arrest it had been their intention to kill someone by the name of 'F. Kitson'—probably a reference to Brigadier Frank Kitson. This incident received prominence in the national press in August, 1973; the articles published also made reference to previous threats to Kitson's life by the IRA.")

Having demonstrated his reliability and usefulness, Mr Lennon received a total of £128 from the Bedfordshire and Luton Police funds as a reward for his assistance and, in addition, authority was given for him to be paid a monthly sum from the Metropolitan Special Branch Information Fund. Up to the point of his death Mr Lennon had received a total of £28 from the Metropolitan Special Branch.

Between August and December, 1973, Mr Wickens met Mr Lennon on average once a week, during which time he continued to provide valuable information concerning Irish republican extremist activities in Luton and elsewhere. In particular, he established a close association with Patrick Joseph O'Brien, who had been on holiday in the Republic of Ireland at the time of the "Luton Three" and was arrested for conspiring to commit robbery.

In October, 1973, Mr Lennon learnt from Mr O'Brien the location at King's Hall Wood, Evershot, Bedfordshire, of an arms cache belonging to the Luton faction. The information was duly given to Mr Wickens, and as a result Bedfordshire and Luton police were able to uncover the cache below ground, which was found to contain shotguns, ammunition, a home-made timing mechanism for an explosive device, military training manuals, maps and other incriminating documents.

Mr Wickens suggested to Mr Lennon that he should try to maintain his close contact with Mr O'Brien to discover the extent of the latter's involvement in the republican cause, and in the ensuing weeks to all intents and purposes his efforts were concentrated in that direction.

Having been advised before-hand, Mr Lennon visited his home town in Northern Ireland between November 10 and 17, 1973, to take part in the "Luton Three". He appeared as if he were to continue his clandestine role, actually volunteered further items his daughter to his parents' home, where she was to be cared for while he was in hospital.

By coincidence, he was seen in Newry—although not acknowledged—by Mr Wickens, who was engaged in the province on special duties unconnected with Mr Lennon, the report says. On Mr Lennon's return, it became obvious that he had used that visit to glean information on use to the Royal Ulster Constabulary, which was later transmitted to them and proved of value.

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By Marcel Berlins Legal Correspondent Justice, the organization that has done more than any other to publicize cases of innocent people convicted because of wrongful identification, has called for far-reaching changes in the procedure governing identity parades and the law on evidence of identity. The Court of Appeals restrictive approach to appeals involving disputes over identity. It is significant that there have been a number of instances of wrongful convictions which have eluded detection by the Court of Appeal. Some of them, in which appeals were later allowed or free pardons given, should have been recognized as unsafe or unsatisfactory at a much earlier stage in the appeal process. The court should be much readier to consider fresh evidence in identity cases and to order retrials, Justice says in a memorandum to the Devlin committee which is looking into identification procedures. The committee was set up after two innocent men had spent time in prison because they were wrongly convicted on identification evidence. One of the cases concerning Mr Luke Doughtery, was brought to light by Justice itself. The organization recommends that there should be a statutory requirement that evidence of identity, where disputed, must be corroborated by evidence of a different kind linking the accused with the offence. Experience shows that the vast majority of miscarriages of justice have occurred through the acceptance of uncorroborated identification. Identity parades should be photographed, the memorandum proposes, and the names and addresses of all persons taking part in a parade should be made available to the defence in case there was conflict about what went on. The Home Office rules governing the holding of identification parades should be made statutory, it urges, and any breach of the rules should render evidence of identification at the parade inadmissible, unless it causes no risk of injustice or prejudice. Stricter precautions should be taken to ensure that witnesses are given no opportunity of seeing the suspect before the parade. The suspect should have the right to have a solicitor present during the parade and the preparations for it. The Justice memorandum comes out strongly against identification of a defendant in the dock at his trial, and wants to limit as far as possible witnesses making identifications through being shown photographs of suspects. Another recommendation is that witnesses should be asked to provide and sign full descriptions of the alleged offender as soon as possible after the offence. The police would be helped if a comprehensive identity check-list could be drawn up, to be used uniformly throughout the country. Justice, Evidence of Identity Justice, 12 Crane Court, Fleet Street, London, EC4, 50p.

Identity parade rules 'in need of far-reaching changes'

By Our Local Government Correspondent The press should accept exclusion from certain local council committee meetings without question, the Association of County Councils said yesterday. In evidence to the Royal Commission on the Press, it said: "Although the association are generally in favour of open committees to the press and public, they nevertheless feel that in cases where the press are excluded the press must accept that this is because there are certain parts of the local authorities' business which must be conducted in private without giving rise to press inquisition as to why this is happening and what is being discussed." If local authorities exercised due responsibility in admitting the press and public to meetings, the press must accept that some local authority business must by its very nature—and in the public interest be carried out in private. The association, which represents 47 non-metropolitan counties in England and Wales, added that the press apparently accepted that it should not have access to meetings of other bodies whose activities affected the lives and finances of local people, such as gas and electricity boards.

Press ban by committees 'is necessary'

By Our Arts Reporter The Government has taken a further step to introduce a public lending right scheme for authors. Mr Hugh Jenkins, the minister responsible for the arts, has written to interested organizations asking for their views. These organizations include groups of writers, authors and publishers as well as the Library Association, county councils and metropolitan authorities. Mr Jenkins, in a parliamentary written reply to Mr Douglas-Mann, Labour MP for Merton, Mitcham and Morden, said he was arranging early meetings to discuss the issues. He was satisfied that the right should be claimed by the author or his representative and that it should last for the lifetime of the author and for 50 years beyond that. There were no advantages, and considerable difficulties, in attempting to extend copyright law to cover public lending right (PLR). Mr Jenkins said he proposed to set up a statutory body to administer the scheme and make payments on the published price. "In my view a life's work of 800 pages justifies a higher payment than an essay of 50 pages", he said. Of schemes based on samples of borrowings or on a record

Minister seeks views on public lending right

of all books purchased by libraries, Mr Jenkins said it would cost at least £5m a year to measure all borrowings, and that this would be prohibitively expensive. The advantage of a method based on borrowings was that it would immediately cover all authors whose books were now in library stocks, and they would not have to wait until new books were bought or reprints made of existing works. That meant that 113,000 authors could be entitled to payments from the start, as opposed to 37,000 under a purchase-based scheme. It was estimated that as many as half the authors whose books were used in libraries would be entitled under a sampling scheme to a payment of £10 or less for film of money available for distribution. For authors entitled to £10 the errors of the sample were calculated at plus or minus 20 per cent; those for authors entitled to smaller payments would be larger still. Parliament might find it hard to justify the paying out of public money with an element of uncertainty on that scale. The alternative method based on books purchased would not recompense authors for books already on the shelves; but authors who had already published books might at first be paid at a higher scale.

'Emotional wife sold a £45,000 home for £1

An American lawyer told a High Court judge yesterday that Mrs Novelle Anne Mann giggled when she told him she had sold her £45,000 house to her estranged husband for £1. "She seemed to realize what she had done but did not appreciate the seriousness of it", Mr Wilson McLeod said. "She felt her husband had acted ignominiously and wanted to see if he would carry it out. Mr McLeod was giving evidence on the fourth day of an action by Mrs Mann, of Chalcut Square, Regent's Park, London, to have the sale set aside on the ground that severe emotional stress had affected her judgment at the time. Her husband, Mr John Michael Mann, a business consultant and airline executive, is seeking an injunction restraining him from returning to the house in Lonsdale Square, Islington, where he still lives. Mr McLeod said that when Mrs Mann came to see him after she had signed away her house she was acting emotionally and could not give the matter proper consideration. Mr Mann had "pushed her into the corner, figuratively speaking". Mr Mann said he and his wife met and married while he was working in Luxembourg in 1963. It was on her initiative that they moved to London. "My wife thought that it did not make much sense lumbering ourselves with a mortgage when we could live up to the hilt on my income." Ultimately he agreed that the £7,500 purchase price of the house and £7,250 for repairs should be paid by his wife's trust fund in Boston. He paid for all the sanitary equipment, kitchen fittings, decorations, carpets and furniture. The hearing continues today.

Workers' paper gains time

Mr Benn, Secretary of State for Industry, gave former Beaverbrook employees in Glasgow more time yesterday to raise money for their planned newspaper, the Scottish Daily News. They will issue a prospectus next week, they say. The Government's offer to match the sum invested from private sources, up to a limit of £1.75m, was to run out today but Mr Benn extended it to February 28.

Money received for 'know-how' taxable

John & E. Sturge Ltd v Hessel (Inspector of Taxes) Before Mr Justice Walton [Judgment delivered November 27] A company desiring to extend its export trade which, to comply with foreign law, agrees to impart "know-how" to a foreign firm for a sum of money which it agrees to use in purchasing shares in that firm was held to have been properly assessed to income and profits tax on the money so received. Mr Justice Walton dismissed an appeal by taxpayers, John & E. Sturge Ltd, by way of case stated from the decision of the special commissioners. Mr F. Heyworth Talbot, QC, Mr Barry Pinson, QC, and Mr Janet Matthews for the taxpayer company; Mr Donald Porter, QC, and Mr Brian Davenport for the Revenue. HIS LORDSHIP said that John & E. Sturge Ltd manufactured citric acid by a secret trade process. Though they had a large export business, they did not export to Italy. An Italian group approached them and negotiations took place which resulted in an agreement to form a new company in Italy. The precise shape of the agreement was dictated by Italian law, and the new company, Biacor, Sturge agreed to disclose its secret

processes and "know-how" of the production of citric acid for 410 million lire. It was clear from the wording of the agreement that Sturge had other duties as well, and those were set out in the second agreement by which Sturge agreed to give technical assistance to Biacor in consideration of a royalty of 2 per cent on sales of citric products. By the third agreement made between Sturge and a financing firm, Sturge undertook to buy shares in Biacor subscribed for by the financing firm to the extent that it received money from Biacor so that Sturge would ultimately own 40 per cent of Biacor. The revenue assessed the company to income and profits tax on the payments made by Biacor on the footing that they were trading receipts, and the special commissioners upheld the assessment. The first question was whether it was in the nature of an income or a capital receipt. Mr Heyworth Talbot argued that it was a receipt on capital account because the transaction added a new dimension to the company's profit-making apparatus. Mr Porter said that what was to be done to which the consideration was being put with its fiscal nature. If one went back to first principles one saw that if a trader received consideration from exploiting his trade assets such consideration was prima facie trading receipt unless there was an alteration of a capital asset: Lord Justice Baines in British Dyeing & Finishing Corporation (Brackley) Ltd v IRC (12 TC 586, 596). The application of that principle to "know-how" was dealt with in Lord Radcliffe in Mustert v English Electric Co Ltd (41 TC, 556) as set out by Mr Justice Pennycuik in Wolf Electrical Tools Ltd v Wilson (45 TC, 326, 339). From that it was clear that mere imparting of "know-how" was not equivalent to the disposal of an asset, but such disposal could wear a different aspect if it was combined with another transaction, eg. if it was imparted as part and parcel of a disposal of a branch of a trader's business, as in Mortuary v Evans Medical Supplies (37 TC, 540). If it was not disposed of in that manner the consideration for it must be treated as income. In Colette and Chemical Products Ltd v Treasury (48 TC, 171). There might be other transactions with which a disposal of "know-how" was combined which caused the consideration for the disposal to be received as capital, but, if so, they had not yet found their way into the books. Following especially the Colette case his Lordship held that the Crown were right to assess the revenue on the basis that the consideration for the disposal of "know-how" was the shares, especially since there was nothing to stop Sturge agreeing with the financing firm that the third agreement be to buy up. His Lordship held finally that although Sturge had disclosed all their secret processes at an early stage, the first agreement made it clear that the instruments of payment depended on the performance of further obligations by Sturge as set out in the second agreement so that one could not say that the payments were earned at times different from when they were received. Accordingly the payments were correctly brought into account when they were received and the Crown succeeded on that point also. Solicitors: Wragge & Co, Birmingham; Solicitor of Inland Revenue.

Court of Appeal

Contract to negotiate not binding

Courtnoy & Fairbairn Ltd v Tolaini Bros (Hotels) Ltd Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Diplock and Lord Justice Lawton Such a fundamental element as the price in a building contract is an essential element in a concluded contract. A contract to negotiate is too uncertain to have any binding effect: like a contract to enter into a contract it is not known to the law. The Court of Appeal allowed an appeal by the defendants, Tolaini Brothers (Hotels) Ltd, owners of the Thatched Barn Hotel, Barnet by pass, Hertfordshire, from the order of Mr Justice Shaw last March, on the trial of a preliminary issue, that the plaintiffs, Courtnoy & Fairbairn Ltd, were entitled to a declaration that there was an enforceable agreement between the parties whereby in the event of the plaintiffs finding finance for Tolaini's building projects the defendants would enter into building contracts with them in respect of such of the projects as were carried out, the price to be a reasonable price. Mr David Sullivan for Tolaini; Mr John Dyson for the defendants. THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the case raised a point of construction as to whether or not two letters constituted a concluded contract. On April 10, 1969, Mr Courtnoy wrote to Mr Tolaini: "... I would be very happy to know that, if my discussions and arrangements... lead to... a financial arrangement acceptable to both parties you will be pre-

pared to instruct your quantity surveyor to negotiate fair and reasonable contract sums in respect of each of the three projects as they arise... On April 28, 1969, Mr Tolaini replied: "... I agree to the terms specified therein... The plaintiffs did obtain someone to provide finance for the project, a quantity surveyor was appointed and then other builders were instructed. The words "to negotiate fair and reasonable contract sums" showed that no sums had been agreed or fixed between the parties. They had not left that matter to a third party or to an arbitrator. Such fundamental element as the price in a building contract was essential to a concluded contract. But if there was no contract to build, was there a contract to negotiate? The tentative expression of Lord Wright in Hillis & Co Ltd v Arcos Ltd (1952) 147 LT 583, 515 did not seem to be well founded. If the law did not recognize a contract to enter into an agreement, it could not recognize a contract to negotiate. A contract to negotiate was too uncertain to have any binding force. Like a contract to enter into a contract, a contract to negotiate was not known to the law. There was no enforceable agreement in law. The appeal should be allowed. LORD DIPLOCK, agreeing, said that the dicta of Lord Wright (at p 515) was bad law. Lord Justice Lawton agreed. Solicitors: Wright & Webb for Pollards, Boreham Wood; Doyle, Devonshire, Box & Co.

Taking child to psychiatrist

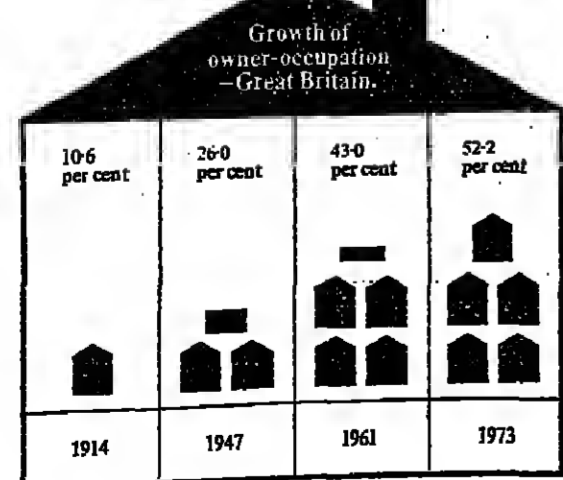
A.W.V.E Healthy children involved in custody or wardship disputes should not be taken to see a psychiatrist without the consent of both parents or leave of the court. Mr Justice Dunn said when giving judgment in an open court in a wardship summons. It was desirable that the psychiatrist should see both parents. Nothing his Lordship said should be taken as interfering with the discretion of a parent who had de facto custody to take a sick child to a doctor. The proper procedure was laid down by Mr Justice Cross in In re S (Infants) (1967) 1 WLR 399; and approved by Lord Justice Wilmer in In re B (Infants) (1968) 1 WLR 1182. It was not being followed, and his Lordship hoped that both branches of the legal profession and the medical profession would note his remarks.

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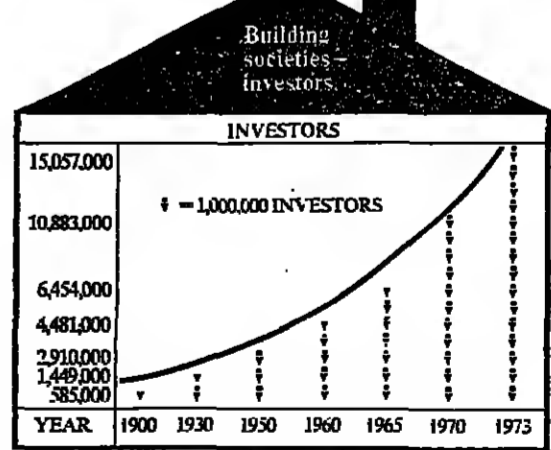
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WEST EUROPE

EEC plan for a 15 pc reduction in fuel consumption by 1985

From David Cross
Brussels, Nov 28

Amid hopes that the EEC summit meeting planned for next month will give fresh impetus to the Community's energy policy, the European Commission today published a 22-point action programme to reduce overall fuel consumption by 15 per cent by 1985.

The Commission estimates that a reduction in the annual growth in energy consumption from 5 to 3.5 per cent between now and 1985 would save the Community about £10,000m.

The programme calls for measures to improve thermal insulation to homes and to regulate ventilation and maintenance as well as for better maintenance of heating systems and more efficient hot water appliances. Insulating layers in roofs can, for example, reduce heat loss by more than 10 per cent and double glazing by almost 5 per cent. Measures in the domestic sector would account for an 18 per cent energy saving by 1985.

In the transport sector, the Commission estimates that rationalization would produce a 16 per cent energy economy by the middle of the next decade.

Its suggestions include regular servicing of cars to maintain optimum ignition timing and carburettor setting to reduce fuel consumption by between 5 and 10 per cent; the promotion of diesel engines; better urban traffic flows and more efficient public transport.

Oil slick drifts to Normandy beaches

Le Havre, Nov 28.—Oil which spilled from the hold of a Danish tanker after a collision off Le Havre last Monday reached Normandy beaches today despite intense efforts to dissolve the mile-long slick.

A Le Havre gendarmerie spokesman said two beaches at Saint Jean Bruneval and Epreux—both popular resorts—had been polluted over an area of 250 to 300 yards.

After a daylong battle yesterday to spray the slick with detergent in stormy seas, only three patches remained untreated last night and it was expected to reinforce Navy detachments today and helicopters might also be called in.

A Force 5 westerly gale had bad visibility forced ships to halt their operations this morning. Plans to use a suction technique were also postponed as the method may only be applied in calm seas or sheltered waters.

The French Bird Protection Society has called for an immediate halt to detergent spraying.

In a telegram to M Chirac, the Prime Minister, the society argues that detergents break up the oil without destroying it and contain toxic ingredients harmful to birds and marine life, while the oil itself causes little harm to shellfish.

Spraying was merely designed to "conceal" the pollution, not to counteract it, the society added.—Agence France Presse.



The multi-coloured lights are missing this year because of the power shortage, but Christmas trees by the dozen have brought a seasonal atmosphere to the Via Fratrina in Rome's shopping district.

Jesuits take critical look at themselves

From Peter Nichols
Rome, Nov 28

Father Pedro Arrupe, the Jesuit General, said today that this most formidable of the Roman Catholic Church's religious orders was about to face "a profound, objective and open examination" of its affairs.

He was speaking at a press conference called to explain the significance of the order's general congregation, which opens here on Sunday. As Father Arrupe pointed out, these congregations are not so frequent as to be taken as a matter of course. In the 434 years of the order's existence, this will only be the thirty-second congregation, and of the preceding 31 only six were called to review the order's work rather than to elect a new general.

This congregation has been summoned, as he explains in his letter of convocation, because the order finds itself to be in the situation envisaged by St. Ignatius its founder in which "very difficult questions affecting the whole congregation" are raised.

As might be expected of the Jesuits, the press conference was a model of its kind and the material running to some 85 pages prepared for the press bore signs of an awareness of professional requirements which made the Vatican's own official press channels look like a sideline compared with a track built for express trains.

The General was ascetic, clearly heavily tried by work but witty and helpful in his replies which were made in the languages in which the questions were delivered.

The event was presided over by the order's physically daunting Swiss expert on relations with the press, Father Bamberg, who saw that questions were both brief and audible and that the answers were clear and fully understood. Whatever may be going wrong

with the Society of Jesus, its organizational strength is as impressive as ever.

The Pope's letter to Father Arrupe, giving his views on what should be discussed at the congregation, is published as part of the documentation distributed by the Jesuits today. The letter concerns the Pope's now famous words of admonishment to the order after his reminder to them "in a special manner" of the need for fidelity to the Holy See.

The letter continues: "Nor are we ignorant of the fact that over the past few years in several parts of the society—and it is by no means absent either from the life of the Church in general—certain tendencies have arisen of an intellectual and disciplinary nature which, if fostered and given support, could lead to serious and possibly irreparable changes in the essential structure itself of your society."

"As you know, beloved son, we have through our closest collaborators called your attention more than once to these matters, while expressing the hope that the expected renewal will be brought about securely and smoothly."

The subject-matter for discussion is partly proposed by the central authorities, who in a sense are seeking the will of the whole membership as to how the order could best fulfill its functions of "defending and propagating the faith" and partly by individual Jesuits who can put forward what are known as postulates. In the printed book of postulates, most pages are taken up by the subject of poverty (95 pages). There are 14 pages dealing with the fourth vow, which is of obedience to the Pope, whereas in 1965 the figure was 36,038. The General said today that there was an annual loss of 0.8 per cent of priests.

Agreement near on Community budget

From Our Own Correspondent
Brussels, Nov 28

Thanks to some graceful concessions by both sides, the Council of Ministers and the European Parliament were tonight near to resolving their dispute over the European Community's 1975 budget.

The long-promised but still non-existent regional development fund was at the heart of today's discussions by assorted budget ministers of the Nine and the leading lights of the Strasbourg Assembly's budgetary committee, M Georges Speaerel and Herr Heinrich Alger. Britain represented by Mr. Joel Barnett, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, was also present.

In its original August proposal for a 1975 budget totalling just under 7,000m units (almost

£2,900m), the European Commission earmarked 650m units for the regional fund. But this was removed by the Council of Ministers in September, when the budget was cut to 5,500m units (some £2,400m).

The removal and declassification of the regional fund allocation was particularly galling for the European Parliament, since it formed the main item of "obligatory" expenditure (that is, not flowing automatically from the Treaty of Rome), over which the European Parliament had earlier this year been given final control up to a fixed ceiling.

In the middle of this month, the Parliament voted overwhelmingly to restore £210m of the £500m cut by the council, and included £125m for the regional fund.

Today's discussions were not

Trial of strength facing French TV journalists

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, Nov 28

The Government seems to be deliberately heading for a trial of strength with the journalists of the ORTF, the state radio and television service who have been on strike since Monday against the threat of dismissal.

Last night police took up positions in front of the television studios on the Left Bank. M Chirac, the Prime Minister, told Parliament that "he was not at all ready to accept that the minimum programme (required by law in time of strike) should be sabotaged."

This morning, police allowed into the building only those persons with a special pass issued by the management to administrative staff, and to those journalists requisitioned to ensure minimum services. A group of non-striker was not allowed to enter the building.

The midday television news programme was broadcast, with film extracts instead of the stills and voices off of yesterday, but it was shorter than usual.

The Government's decision to pursue its reform of the ORTF and cut staff regardless of the opposition has clearly stiffened the strike. Journalists meeting at the ORTF headquarters this morning decided to prolong the strike for another 24 hours and

Impartial Italian broadcasting service planned

From Our Own Correspondent
Rome, Nov 28

A reform of the Italian broadcasting system, designed to break the Christian Democrat Party's virtual control of radio and television, has been agreed on by the four centre-left parties.

The plan is expected to be approved by Signor Moro's new Cabinet before Saturday when the contract between the broadcasting company, RAI and the Italian state—reportedly renewed for lack of a substitute—expires.

The reform has been drawn up in obedience to the constitutional court which ruled recently that unless the RAI could be impartial and present the views of all the political and social forces in the country the state monopoly of broadcasting was illegal.

In future the two television channels are the three radio programmes will have their own separate news services, each in competition with the other.

The vast powers of the general manager, formerly a political appointee, will be drastically curtailed. He will be chosen by, and answerable to, an administrative council composed of 15 members

Greece returns to the fold

From Richard Wigg
Paris, Nov 28

Greece today returned to the Council of Europe which she left under the weight of democratic pressure in December, 1969.

Mr Dimitri Betsios, the Foreign Minister in the new Karamanlis Government which won the general election earlier this month, received a welcome from 17 other omissions at the ministerial meeting of the European Council, which opened today in Paris.

He was warmly saluted by Mr Ove Guldberg, the Danish Foreign Minister and acting chairman, who described him as the representative of "the true Greece, a Greece which is free, democratic, and peace-loving."

The Greek regime left the Council of Europe almost five years ago amid the outcry provoked by the repeated violation of human rights. Mr Betsios today presorted the Athens Government's ratification of the European Human Rights convention and promised the new Government's full cooperation with "all European institutions."

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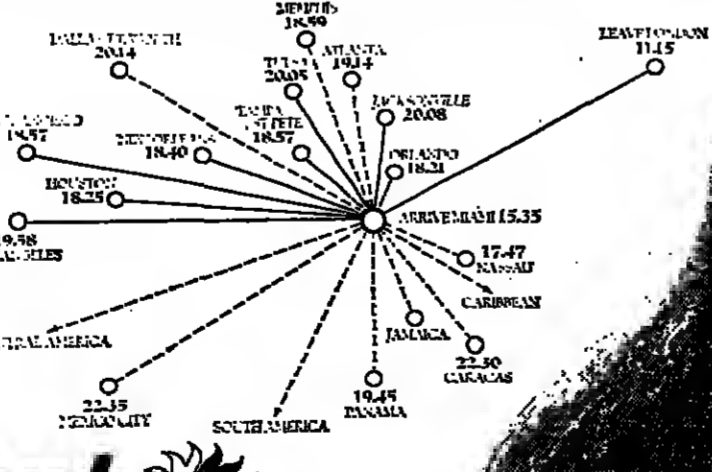
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OVERSEAS

China fails to have the Lon Nol regime in Cambodia expelled from UN Assembly

From Peter Strafford New York, Nov 28 After a long and heated debate the United Nations General Assembly today rejected an attempt by the Chinese and their supporters to have the present Cambodian regime expelled.

Sihanouk might control some of Cambodia, he still did not control enough to move his capital there from Peking. Mr Ivor Richard, for Britain, said that it would be a bad precedent if the United Nations admitted a government in exile. It would be a "gross attempt at interference" in the internal affairs of the Cambodian people.

Government of National Union of Cambodia, presided over by Prince Norodon Sihanouk, exercises authority over a segment of Cambodia, the Government of the Khmer Republic still has control over a preponderant number of the Cambodian people.

Party congress strengthens Mr Ceausescu's position

Bucarest, Nov 28.—Romania's ruling Communist Party reaffirmed its independent foreign policy today and strengthened President Ceausescu's already dominant position in the leadership.

By-election in S Africa shows no backlash From Our Own Correspondent Cape Town, Nov 28 The result of a South African by-election today indicates that there has been no serious right-wing backlash.

Mr Kenneth Cole, head of the Domestic Council, and Mr Dean Burch, the political expert who directed Mr Goldwater's campaign in 1964 and the Republicans' efforts in this



Canada geese heading south near Cambridge, Maryland as winter comes to North America.

Mr Ford prepares to dismiss Nixon men

Form Our Own Correspondent Washington, Nov 28 While Americans were celebrating Thanksgiving today, President Ford was preparing to dismiss most of Mr Nixon's surviving White House staff and Cabinet officers.

Secretary to the Treasury, as a possible alternative sacrifice but the betting is that Mr Ash will soon be offered the consolation of a nice embassy (London and Madrid are both vacant). This is what happened to Mr Nixon's economic adviser, Mr Kenneth Rush, who is now Ambassador in Paris.

Why the postman did not knock in Louisville Louisville, Kentucky, Nov 27.—More than 12 tons of undelivered mail, some of it dating back to 1967, have been found in the attic of a local postman. The mail was in 1,200 sacks.—UPI.

Delay in finding vaccine for Shires dying in Nigeria Continued from page 1 would not comment on our information that up to 10 of the horses had died. He said that he was forbidden by the mysterious principal to say anything at all. Indeed, amid a string of "no comments" he said his last information was that the horses were fit and well.

Kissinger agreement with China on assets

From David Bonavia Peking, Nov 28 Agreement in principle believed to have been reached here on mutual compensation for Chinese assets frozen in United States and American property confiscated in China.

Love in toilet costs Uganda Minister her job Kampala, Nov 28.—Prem Amin today dismissed Elizabeth Bagaya as Uganda Foreign Minister, saying she had had an affair with a man in a toilet at Paris and had contacts with French and American intelligence.

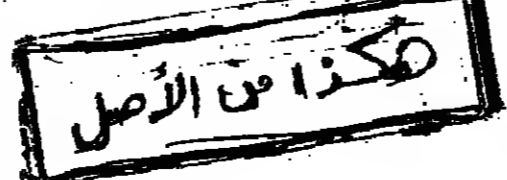
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exported to Africa; it is a radical change of environment from England. All the animals were in healthy condition on shipment and the Ministry of Agriculture gave the Nigerian authorities full health and other clearances.

Love in toilet costs Uganda Minister her job

The strikingly attractive Bagaya, who holds the title Princess Elizabeth of Uganda, became Foreign Minister February 19 after she married an actress, lawyer and diplomat. She is believed to be in the United Kingdom but without travel documents and under close watch.

Death sentence on Tanzanians

Lusaka, Nov 28.—The sentence has been passed by a Zambian court on five Tanzanians who murdered a Scottish businessman.

Self-censorship by Durban editor

From Michael Knipe Cape Town, Nov 28 A South African newspaper editor said in court in Durban today that he took steps to withhold from publication pictures which might have created an adverse effect for South Africa overseas and disturbed race relations locally.

several days before he did and the defence is content that the paper was not before the editors' eyes. Giving evidence, Mr O'Malley said he regarded the news report that a pro-rally would go ahead in a Government banning matter of prime public interest.

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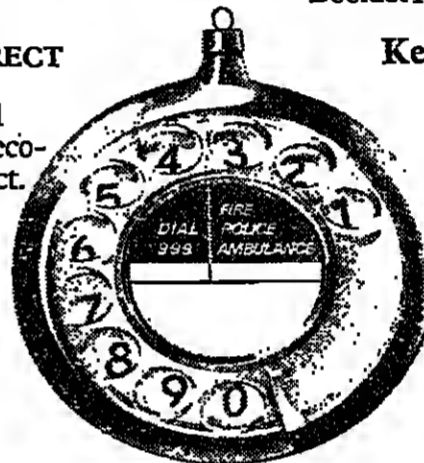
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VERSEAS

Trudeau outburst in Parliament stirs rumours about the harmony of his marital life

By John Best
The episode seems to provide another example of the way in which official and family problems, sometimes interrelated, are beginning to pile up on Canada's unpredictable, 55-year-old Prime Minister.
Observers have detected in him an uncharacteristic lack of enthusiasm since the federal elections in July. Having ploughed all his resources into that campaign, and achieved his greatest victory, Mr Trudeau, did not appear to have a lot left over for the business of running the country.
He is a little more active on the international scene than before, but has failed to show vigour and leadership in coping with the Government's manifold domestic problems.
Recently, Mr Trudeau has been shaken by revelations of possible conflicts of interest affecting his Administration. These have involved at least one cabinet minister in addition to his vivacious, 26-year-old wife.
In so far as they involve Mrs Trudeau, they cut across one of the Prime Minister's long-cherished principles: keeping his family life strictly private.
Mrs Trudeau has burst on the public scene in a big way in the past six months or so.
At the behest of the Liberal Party, she took an active part in the election campaign and some say she played a significant role in the party's victory.

Later, she complained of being tired and entered a Montreal hospital for treatment of what she told reporters was severe emotional stress.
More recently, she gave a television interview in which she expressed a desire that her husband should get out of politics.
About a week before Mr Trudeau's visit to Paris and Brussels last month, it was announced that she would accompany him, much to the discomfiture of protocol officials on both sides of the Atlantic.
Shortly after his return from Europe, she was off to Japan with a group of friends for a two-week visit as guest of the shipping magnate, Mr Y. K. Pao, at an estimated cost of \$30,000 (about £13,000).
A Conservative MP, Mr Sinclair Stevens, has now placed a series of questions on the Commons order paper seeking to learn the extent to which the Pao fleet has done business with Government agencies such as the Canadian Wheat Board and the Canadian International Development Agency.
As for Mrs Trudeau, who had declared her intention of going into part-time journalism and freelance photography and writing for magazines, has now told reporters that she has changed her mind.

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Lenin aide refused Soviet exit visa

By Richard Davy
A man who is probably the last survivor of Lenin's entourage is being refused permission by the Soviet authorities to visit his daughter and grandchildren in Denmark. He is Professor Arnost Kulmao, a Jew of Czech origin who is 82 and lives in Moscow.
A distinguished mathematician and philosopher, he was a professor at Moscow State University and before that at Charles University, Prague. A photograph shows him with Lenin in Red Square in 1918.

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London firm's lapse hits tourists

By John Best
More than 200 people on an overland bus whose organizing company has suddenly ceased trading, are continuing their trip home at their own expense, the British consul here says.
Accompanied by a driver and a driver, 42 tourists had set out from London for Delhi and Madras. On the bus were 14 New Zealanders, five Americans, two Malaysians, one West German and one Swiss.
The consul said many of them called at the British Embassy in Beirut for help after being informed by the Indigo Company of London that the bus had stopped at Karu and would not be forthcoming when they reached Delhi.
The consul said the group had been able to collect enough money either to use their journeys or to return home.—Reuter.

Mr Whitlam defends his planned tour of Europe

From Our Correspondent Melbourne, Nov 28
Mr Whitlam, the Australian Prime Minister, spoke in defence of his forthcoming overseas tour in the House of Representatives in Canberra today. He was replying to Opposition members who had described his planned journey of five weeks as a "junker".

Mr Whitlam said: "Cheap phrases such as 'junkie' are always used when the Prime Minister makes an overseas trip. The critics cannot even get their facts right. There are no members of my family in London at present. The only one who has been there for a number of years is at present in Australia."

He added: "It is necessary for Australia to have continuing top level discussions with leaders in Europe, particularly as there has not been an official visit to Europe by an Australian leader since 1950. I am proposing to use a chartered Qantas Boeing 707 on the highest security advice and members will understand that it is not advisable for me to discuss that aspect in public."

Mr Whitlam will be visiting Malta, the United Kingdom, Ireland, France, the Soviet Union, Yugoslavia, the Netherlands, Italy, Greece and West Germany.
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Jupiter photographed
Mountain View, California, Nov 28.—The unmanned United States spacecraft Pioneer II was 3.35 million miles from its closest approach to Jupiter today and taking 22 colour photographs of the planet.

Cheap sugar being smuggled from Australia

From Our Correspondent Melbourne, Nov 28
Sugar has been found hidden in Christmas toys addressed to Britain, MPs in Canberra were told today. Smuggling on a bigger scale was also taking place, Dr R. A. Patterson, Minister for Northern Development, added.
The price for sugar in Australia is about a quarter of that overseas. The amount of smuggling was not yet large, the Minister said, but he was taking this opportunity to give a public warning.
He quoted the case of the sudden departure from Darwin of a ship carrying a large quantity of sugar obviously bound for overseas sale. It had also happened that the amount of sugar in ships' stores had doubled and even trebled.

Vote to cut off America's \$16m aid to Unesco

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, Nov 28
The Senate foreign relations committee has voted to cut off all American contributions to Unesco. The vote came in the form of an amendment to the foreign aid Bill and is in retaliation for Unesco's decision to expel Israel.
America has contributed about \$16m (£6,400,000) a year to Unesco and unless the Arabs make up the deficit, the cut-off will cause the organization considerable difficulty. Unesco performs a number of worthy tasks, among them saving Egyptian temples from the waters of the Nile.

Volcano team prepare to make descent

Wellington, New Zealand, Nov 28—Five men today completed a reconnaissance for a daring descent into the crater of Mount Erebus, an active volcano on Ross Island, in the Antarctic.
The main party, 14 men from New Zealand, France and the United States, will make the descent itself on about December 20. Wearing fire-proof clothes, helmets and gas masks they will take samples of gas and lava.
For two weeks the reconnaissance party has been establishing a camp near the summit of the 12,500 ft volcano and making a new map of its rim.
The floor of the main crater, about 500 yards across, lies 150 yards below the summit. It is an inner "live" crater, about 200 yards wide, which will engage the explorer's attention. Team members will be winched down from the overhanging lip.—Reuter.

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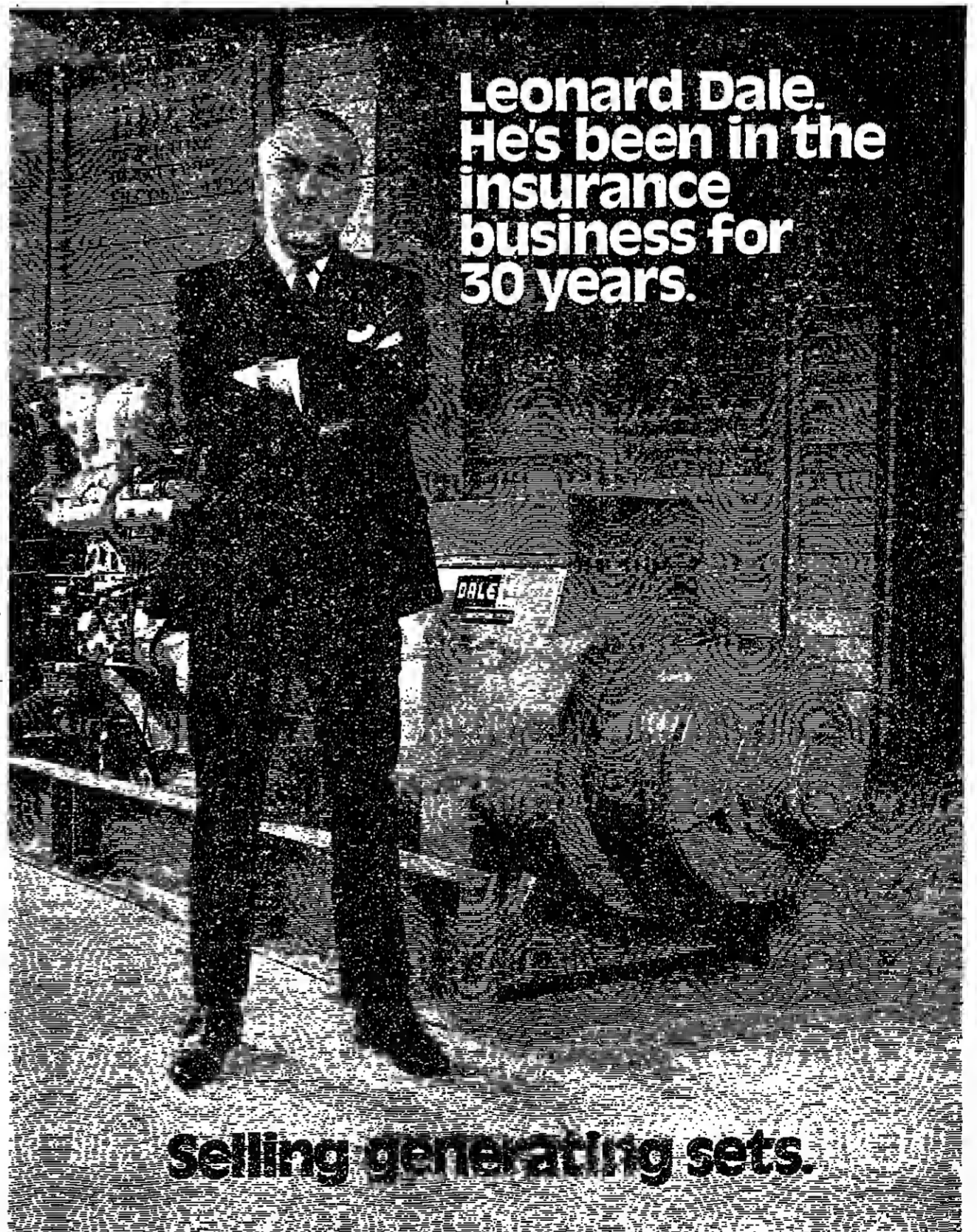
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OVERSEAS

America urged to let Soviet Union have say on Middle East issues

By David Spanier, Diplomatic Correspondent... The United States should reverse its policy of trying to exclude the Soviet Union from the Middle East negotiations...

Waldheim Cairo visit helps ease tension

From Our Correspondent, Cairo, Nov 28... Dr Kurt Waldheim, the General Nations Secretary-General, today underlined the importance of reconvening the Geneva Middle East peace conference...

Maalot massacre school teachers resign

From Our Own Correspondent, Jerusalem, Nov 28... The three teachers who escaped the massacre at Maalot last May have resigned their posts after being criticized in the report of the official inquiry commission for abandoning the pupils in their charge...

Warning to crews of jumbo jets

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Mr. Burton Pugach and his bride, Miss Linda Kiss, after their wedding in New York yesterday, ending a 15-year-old tragedy.

Blinded victim marries her attacker

From Our Own Correspondent, New York, Nov 28... A strange wedding has just taken place in New York between a man and a woman he hired thugs to blind 15 years ago...

Persian Gulf rulers to hold first regional meeting

King Faisal, of Saudi Arabia, is to hold a meeting with the four rulers of the most important of the small Arab states in the Persian Gulf area...

100 are believed trapped in boat

Dacca, Nov 28—Nineteen bodies were found after a ferry boat capsized yesterday on Kapra lake, 210 miles from Dacca, the authorities said...

Pro-Park march broken up

Seoul, Nov 28—Police tear gas today to disperse Government demonstrators testing against a campaign for democratic reform in Korea...

Amnesty man freed

Moscow, Nov 28—Mr Andrei Tverdokhlebov, secretary of the Soviet branch of Amnesty International, who was detained by police last night, was freed today after a 12-hour search of his flat...

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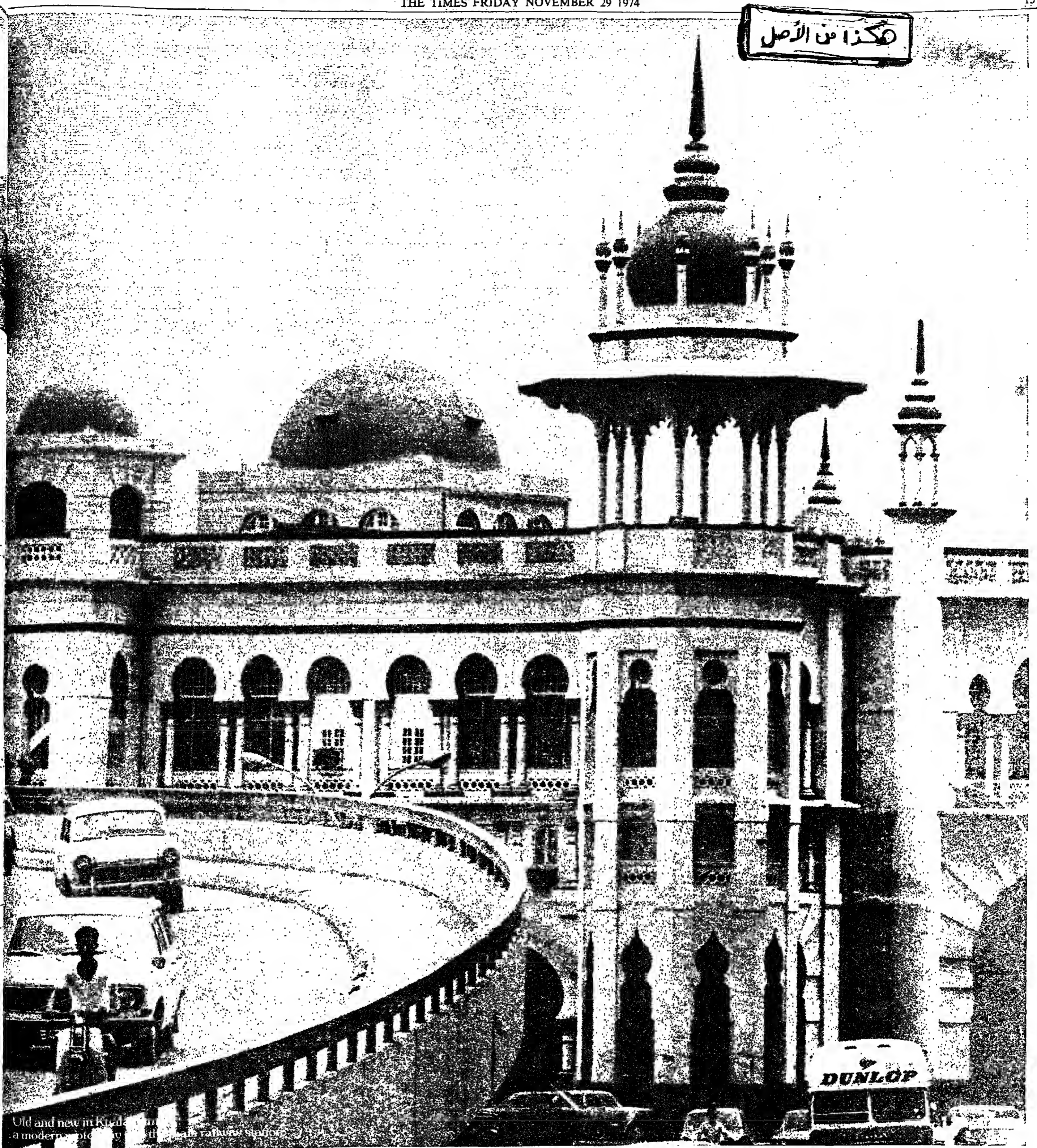
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Exceptional powers needed to take effective action against those in terror campaign

House of Commons

MR ROY JENKINS, Home Secretary (Birmingham, Stechford, Lab.), moving the second reading of the Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Bill, said the Government, in common with their predecessors, had given the highest priority to measures to combat and overcome terrorism. He had always confirmed that so long as the political situation continued they only skilled and patriotic police work could achieve that end, but like his predecessors he had throughout said that if at any time it seemed it would be necessary and helpful to seek additional powers which would assist work in the field of terrorism. The Bill would give the Government power to take such measures.

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Terrorism meant acts of violence for political ends or seeking to influence public opinion or government policy with respect to Northern Ireland. Only a citizen of the United Kingdom or Colonies could qualify for exclusion from having an exclusion order made against him. Such a person, however, if he was a citizen of the United Kingdom and had been so for 20 years, or he was born in Great Britain and had resided in the United Kingdom since he wanted to make clear that the order he proposed to make under Clause 4 (Control of entry and procedure for revocation) would secure that a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies who had no other citizenship might not be treated as a citizen of the United Kingdom unless he had indicated his willingness to go there.

Under Clause 1 and Schedule 1 the IRA was proscribed for its aims. It would be an offence for a person to belong to the IRA, to invite or provide money for it, to arrange or to address a meeting in support of it. The maximum penalty for conviction of an offence under the Bill would be five years' imprisonment. As a necessary safeguard against the possibility of a person being excluded from the flat of the Attorney General.

The Secretary of State had powers to issue an order under Clause 1 if he was satisfied that any person concerned in terrorism in the United Kingdom connected with Northern Ireland, or who had been so connected in any part of the world, or who had been so connected in any part of the world, or who had been so connected in any part of the world.

The limitation on Northern Irish affairs did not mean that the Government reserved other forms of terrorism as well as terrorism which was a wholly exceptional measure, and could be justified only by the most exceptional circumstances. It was clear and no danger, such as now confronted the country.

I have the continued and immediate intention of dealing with the organizations on the list, but I shall certainly add other organizations of whatever complexion if necessary.

Ailment

MR CORMACK (South-West Staffordshire, C)—Does this Bill

include both Provisional and Official IRA? **JENKINS**—Yes, I have never claimed and do not claim now, that proscription of the IRA will as of itself reduce terrorist outrages, but the public should no longer have to endure the affront of a public demonstration of the support of that body. (Cheers.)

Under Clause 2 it would be an offence to wear clothes or articles demonstrating in public such support as to have the effect of inciting to violence beyond those that it would be an offence to wear articles which were plainly IRA insignia but which might fall short of the requirements for a successful public demonstration of support. The penalties were also increased.

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for those who are made subject to exclusion orders. A safeguard was being introduced designed to prevent a person being removed to some place with which he had no real connexion.

He had considered carefully whether a full scale system of judicial review should be introduced into the procedure for the exclusion orders. The Bill would ensure that the issues and distasteful though this might be, the final decision must rest with the Secretary of State. (Some Conservative cheers.)

It was right that the Secretary of State should be given the power in making exclusion orders, matters of grave national security were involved. They must be inhibited by getting rid of terrorists who were dangerous at this time in this country. It was not to get rid of them by an inability to use highly sensitive information. Advice must be sought from those who were entrusted with secrets affecting national security.

Advisers

It was essential to ensure that individual liberties were safeguarded. Those to whom representation against exclusion orders were to be made must be men whose impartiality and sense of fairness were beyond question. There were arrangements for dealing with cases involving national security in such matters as a person's name to be included in the person concerned, the advisers made their report and a final decision was taken by the minister concerned. For the present purpose, he hoped to have assistance in this way by men of independent mind either in the law or public affairs.

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Sectarian murders: 21 helping police

MR DUFFY (Sheffield, Airedale, Lab.) asked the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland how many sectarian murders were committed in Northern Ireland in November.

MR MERRIN REES (Leeds, South, Lab.)—Twenty six murders were committed from November 1 to 25, but it is impossible to say how many of these were sectarian murders.

MR DUFFY—Was Mr Rees aware of how many of these murders were sectarian murders? Will he assure us that where those involved are known to his forces they will be pulled in, and that no manpower shortages will affect patrols in high risk areas?

MR MERRIN REES—Mr Duffy is right about the sectarian nature of the murders. He is right that some of the murders were sectarian. He is right that some of the murders were sectarian.

Ability to help police

Ability to help police in preventing a major act of terrorism. It was right there should be safeguards against abuse and that is why decisions about more than 1000 cases require the approval of the Secretary of State. The normal rights and safeguards relating to persons in custody would be observed by the police.

Law available

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TW authorities have duty not to use material offensive to public feelings

LORD HARRIS of GREENWICH, Minister of State, Home Office, speaking in a debate on the Government's proposals for the prevention of terrorism in Britain, said in the last few weeks they had experienced a series of increasingly vicious terrorist attacks. These included the bombings in Birmingham a week ago and last night in London two more, the second of which appeared to have been designed to maintain ambuscades and others called to the scene of the first explosion.

It was difficult to find words to describe adequately the conduct of people responsible for such a campaign of acts. He would not want to suggest that rigorous and wide ranging as the proposals were that they would lead to a swift end to the present terrorist campaign but he was confident that they would strengthen the security forces in their struggle against terrorists.

The Government regretted having to ask Parliament for powers to amend the Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Bill involving as they must some encroachment on the liberties of individuals. There were well aware that few things would provide a more gratifying victory for the terrorists than for this country to be seen to restrict individual freedoms in the process of countering the enemies of those freedoms.

TV appearances

The public should no longer have to endure the affront of public demonstrations of support for the IRA. Anybody who took part in such demonstrations would be liable to arrest.

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Business in the House of Commons

MONDAY: Social Security Bill (second reading), Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Bill (second reading), Social Security Bill (second reading), Social Security Bill (second reading).

TUESDAY: Trade Union and Labour Relations (Amendment) Bill (second reading), National Health Service Bill (second reading), National Health Service Bill (second reading).

WEDNESDAY: Debate on arts, Obituary: Sir George Lloyd, Obituary: Sir George Lloyd, Obituary: Sir George Lloyd.

THURSDAY: Debate on an amendment to the National Health Service Bill, National Health Service Bill (second reading), National Health Service Bill (second reading).

FRIDAY: Private members' bills, Private members' bills, Private members' bills.

IRA using interment for propaganda

MR CRYER (Kilgobbin, Lab.) asked the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland if he was reviewing the use of interment as a propaganda tool by the IRA.

MR ORME, Minister of State (Salford, West, Lab.)—There is no change in Government policy which is to end detention as soon as possible. There must be no interment which would give weight to any recommendations which Lord Gardiner's committee may make on this matter.

MR CRYER—Does he intend to renew the present emergency legislation when it expires in December? Can he make it clear that a peaceful Northern Ireland can be achieved by the use of interment?

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Wrong for IRA to have platform on media

SIR KEITH JOSEPH, Opposition spokesman on Home Affairs (Leeds, North-East, C), speaking after Mr Jenkins, said it appeared as if the IRA was the only political force that had a welcome platform if the powers were still necessary the Bill would have to be renewed after six months. This was a most unusual decision for a law which had been in force since 1973.

Everybody who wanted in examining the question of terrorism should have the chance to hear the arguments for and against the reintroduction of the present provisions.

Of course they want revenge for the unbelievable atrocity and carnage committed. But we may have to face the cruel fact that there are two separate things. I am for victory. I am prepared to forgo the vengeance. (Cheers.)

Others also guilty

The IRA was not alone in being responsible for terrorism in Northern Ireland. Other groups were also responsible for terrorism in Northern Ireland. Other groups were also responsible for terrorism in Northern Ireland.

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The overwhelming mood in my constituency was a mood of vengeance. When people talk about the death penalty, the majority of them are not interested whether it is a deterrent or not. They are interested in a natural human emotion and I do not particularly blame them for that.

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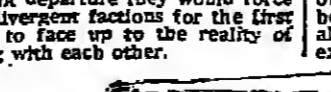
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Racing

Stallion incentive scheme to wait for better economic climate

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

Yesterday there was another development on the Racing Policy Committee front. It was announced that the president of the chairman of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association had written to the senior steward of the Jockey Club to say that they are not satisfied with the representation of the new committee and that they have asked for a meeting.

Apparently the TBA was not consulted about the new arrangements and the special meeting of the TBA's council has been called to discuss the matter. Clearly they are every bit as incensed as the trainers representing the racing industry at the decision to postpone the launching of the British stallion incentive scheme.

The decision to postpone this scheme which is similar to one in Ireland, was taken at the annual general meeting held in London in January.

Owing to the present uncertainty of the nomination market it has been decided that our scheme cannot begin after all, as the market will be kept on ice and will be introduced when economic conditions appear more favourable.

Basically the idea was for the owner or owners of each stallion subscribing to the scheme to donate to the pool the cost of one nomination every year. Now it is felt that the state of the breeding industry are so depressed that the initial target of £100,000, necessary to float the scheme would not be reached, and that it is far wiser to wait for a better economic climate before the project goes off at half-cock. A sad story as we look with anxious eyes at Ireland and France, but a sign of the times. Racing's main problem in this country is simply that of the cash.

In addition to the Free Handicap for two-year-olds, this week's Racing Calendar also includes the Jockey Club handicapper's assessment of the best older horses who ran on the flat in England this year. Their analysis is in two parts, with each part divided into three groups. One table is confined to four-year-olds; the other to three-year-olds.

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Cantabet's motorway trip should pay off

By Jim Snow
Northern Racing Correspondent

After inspections at two northern courses yesterday, the Haydock Park stewards found conditions too bad to race this afternoon, but over in Lincolnshire all promised well for the Market Rasen programme. A bitterly cold wind and some sun have combined just in time to save Market Rasen, but over in Lincolnshire all promised well for the Market Rasen programme. A bitterly cold wind and some sun have combined just in time to save Market Rasen, but over in Lincolnshire all promised well for the Market Rasen programme.

Two weeks ago, Cantabet was not by any means run unbacked when winning for Arthur Stephenson's Durham stable. Tommy Stack pushed him out to win by two lengths, but he should improve, and this formidable trainer and jockey partnership do not come down the motorway from Oucham to Market Rasen simply for the pleasure of the drive. With his advantage of 12 lb, Cantabet may come out best.

Grimsby Tower with 10 st 12 lb looks reasonably handicapped in the Chase Hurdle. Recently he finished third at Goodwood Park to Niagara, but previously he carried 10 st 4 lb to a five-length victory at Kelso.

Two divisions of the George Long Distance Hurdle for Novices may be won by Plucky Punter (1-4) and Pottersville (2-4), both ridden by Ray Expone with Michael Eastbury and Frank Carr. At Kelso Pottersville was going away from his rival at the finish of a two mile and a half novice hurdle, and Plucky Punter in his only run found the two miles at Wetherby well within his powers when he came home first on November 15.

Outrage carried 10 st 3 lb into second place behind Niagara at Wetherby a fortnight ago. On that form against a horse who has an excellent training record over this course, he would not have more than Thomson Jones's Vultow in the Gordon Arms Handicap.

Sandown Park programme

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THE ARTS

Twenty years on, afar and asunder

Scenes from a Marriage (aa) Curzon Earthquake (a) Empire Breezy (aa) Universal

Bergman originally made Scenes from a Marriage as a series of six 30 minute episodes for Swedish television... the marriage is that of John, a scientist, and Marianne, a lawyer...

renewing their relationship through infidelity to a marriage grow stale... The method now is different. The early studies of relations employed the artifice of light domestic comedy...

hard and real life is so filled with horrors, it seems there is some consolation in fictitious catastrophes... Though Earthquake is, at that, so close to possibility that you might expect it to be not a little alarming to the inhabitants of Los Angeles...

clausily like the (inimitable) Walter Matthau... The dramatic method recalls a well-known circus act in which just when the plate spinner is going mad keeping 12 plates going at once, his trousers start to fall down... Earthquake is directed by Mark Robson...



Life at the top in 'Earthquake'

Elusive monarch

David Robinson

Inside the Great Pyramid BBC 2 Alan Coren During the lurching commentary on Wednesday... "Why did Cheops build the Great Pyramid in the first place?"

Earl Hines Central Hall Miles Kington There were important goings on at Central Hall, Westminster, on Wednesday...

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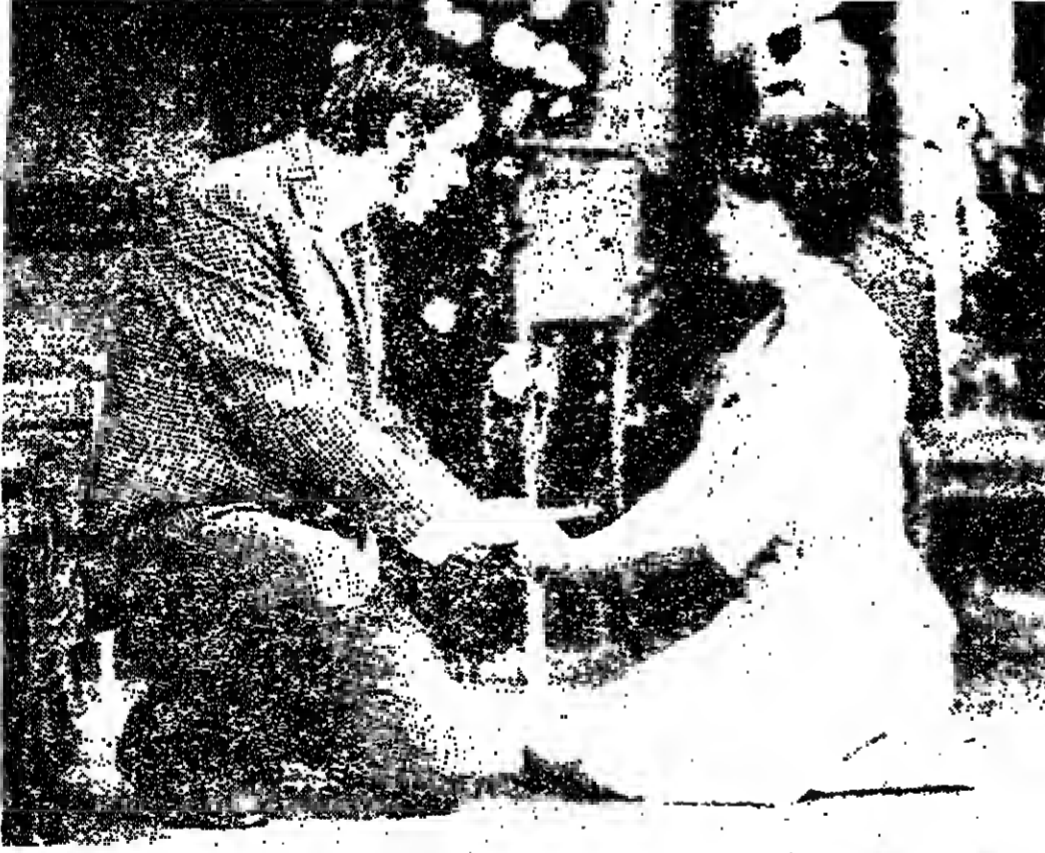
A Spanish casting of skins

Ballet Rambert Sadler's Wells John Percival

Presumably because he comes from Puerto Rico, Manuel Alom has chosen a Spanish title for his new ballet... "I suppose all that is meant to have some sort of metaphorical meaning, although whether it might be social, psychological or ecological, your guess is as good as mine."

Byzantium Dingwall's Dance Hall Philip Norman

It is not easy to extract a conventional review from a place such as Dingwall's Dance Hall. One must contend, for a start, with stupefying fatigue...



Peter Egan and Dorothy Tutin Photograph by Zoe Dominic

What Every Woman Knows Albery

Barrie is not much played today, but his name (even without the help of Peter Pan) is a byword for fey whimsicality and cloying sentiment... Perhaps Barrie did possess what used to be called a feminine sensibility, but it was his own. His gentle hurrings of reality are as nothing compared with the sentimental lies dictated to other writers by box office protocol...

claim their sister Maggie at the end of it. Scuse two takes us forward six years to the night of her oratorical election to Parliament, and the foreclosure of the marriage contract... Dorothy Tutin undergoes conspicuous costume changes with the ascent of Maggie's fortunes, but this actress excels in telegraphing unspoken thought processes...

L'Enfant et les Sortilèges Royal Academy of Music Alan Blyth

Stories of the formidable talents of Simon Rattle, the conductor, who is 19, have been spreading widely in musical circles over the past few months... The opera was given in immediately good French, and the cast list had been left in the original, taxing one's knowledge of the language...

Fires of London Queen Elizabeth Hall William Mann

Who is he not composing on the island of Orkney, or touring with his group The Fires of London... The drama, we understand, is about man's approach and reaction to divine presences. Marduk is the Mesopotamian sun god, and the composer claims to have derived oracular materials for her piece from the proportions of the square of the sun (do not ask me to explain that)...

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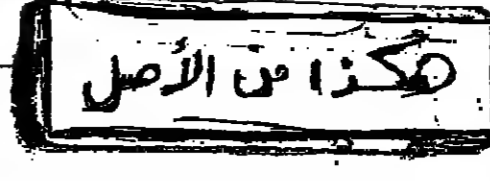
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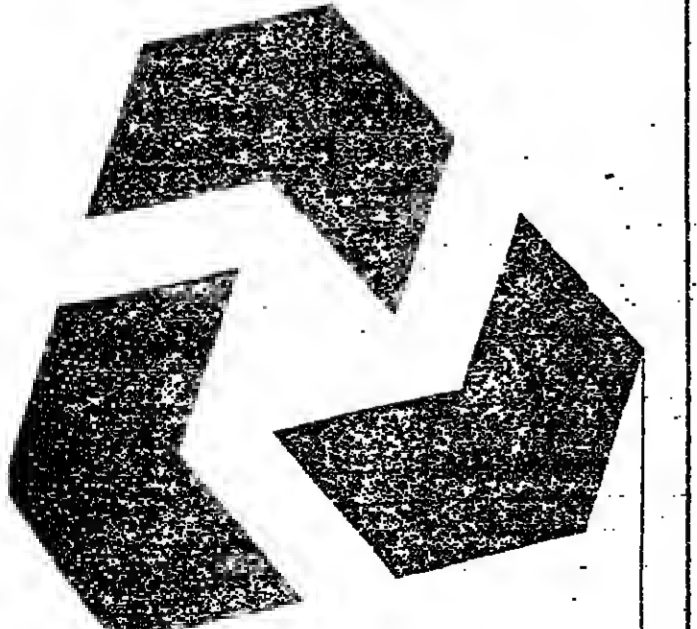
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Swiss forced conversion rule reintroduced

Zurich, Nov 28.—Swiss National Bank says it has reintroduced, with immediate effect, a modified version of the forced conversion decree...

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Table listing other pages in the newspaper, such as Business appointments, Market reports, and Financial Editor.

British Leyland to invest £22m in South African subsidiary

By Clifford Webb

British Leyland is going ahead with plans to invest £22m in its South African subsidiary despite its present financial problems and the gloomy forecasts emanating from the world's car markets.

The decision to stretch its limited finances still further follows the successful outcome of its offer to buy for cash the 20 per cent of the equity in Leyland South Africa it did not already control.

Some motor industry observers have suggested that BL was faced with an either/or situation when considering the future of its two major overseas subsidiaries, Australia and South Africa. In practice there was never a choice. It comes as no

surprise that local manufacturing has stopped in Australia and the Sydney plant is being sold to the government for housing while South Africa is to be expanded.

The Australian operation has been a loss-maker for many years and with the government insisting on a 90 per cent local content while permitting large imports of Japanese cars was only likely to get worse.

On the other hand, South Africa has a record of substantial profits. There was a setback in 1973 but a management shuffle which saw Mr Basil Landau emerge as managing director has returned it to profits of around £2.6m in each of the past two years.

The £22m will be spent over

the next four years to introduce new models and to modernize and expand the Black Heath Cape Town car plant.

In Australia the very high locally manufactured requirements effectively prevented BL from using the low cost, high volume production of its United Kingdom plants.

Then again the type of car used in South Africa is much more European than the big American saloons preferred in Australia. This will enable BL to use South African derivatives of the new cars it plans to launch in Britain over the next 18 months.

It was the introduction of the P76—BL's first all Australian car—which finally broke the back of Leyland Australia.

Plastics plea for cash incentives

By Peter Hill

Britain's plastics manufacturers yesterday reinforced their appeals to the Government for measures to help their liquidity situation. The latest representations were made against the background of decisions announced earlier this week by ICI and Shell that they were implementing production cutbacks as a result of reduced demand from downstream processors in the plastics and fibres industries.

In a statement the British Plastics Federation stated that it had been aware for some time of the many problems being faced by companies which buy plastics materials. It had repeatedly expressed its concern about liquidity and the effects of inflation and had underlined these points in representations to the Government.

Within the petrochemicals industry it is calculated that the demand for fibres and thermo-plastics materials has fallen by an average of between 15 and 20 per cent.

Meanwhile, some deliveries from the Duxford, Cambridgeshire plant of Ciba-Geigy (United Kingdom) will be disrupted as a result of an explosion in one of a number of production units at the plant which caused damage estimated at £250,000.

Hallmarking Act gives export boost to silver

By Derek Harris

A new Hallmarking Act, covering gold, silver and for the first time platinum, should from next January make it easier for British manufacturers using these precious metals to succeed in export markets.

An important technical change in the new Act compared with present legislation is that it will no longer be an offence in the United Kingdom for dealers to manufacture or possess articles which would be regarded as sub-standard when measured against the British hallmarking and assay standards.

Purity requirements in some overseas markets are different from those demanded in the United Kingdom. West Germany's standard for silver, for instance, allows a lower standard of purity—800 parts of silver per 1,000 compared with Britain's sterling standard of 925 parts.

In the United States of America a tolerance of 1 carat either way is allowed on gold articles.

But under the outgoing legislation British manufacturers still have to produce goods to the British standard, making them much less competitive.

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Singer UK in £6m contract

A British company has secured the world's largest order for carpet tufting machinery. The contract, worth more than £5.8m has been placed with the Singer Company (UK) for the supply of complete tufting plants to the Soviet Union.

In a statement yesterday, the company said that the Russian contract was the culmination of a marketing investment that had been spread over five years.

The company had also taken

part in two exhibitions and technical seminars. Apart from the large Russian order the company has acquired business worth more than £1m from other East European countries.

In another valuable export contract, the Cheshire firm of Joseph Parks & Son, a member of the Chamberlain Group has announced that it had gained an order worth £1.6m to supply new buildings to the Brazilian shipyard of Companhia Comercio e Navegacao.

Ghana orders BRE wagons

Ghana Railways have ordered 36 hogie holster wagons costing £155,000 from BRE-Metro, the joint export sales company of British Rail Engineering and Metro-Cammell.

The wagons are to be used for the transport of hardwood logs which form a large part of Ghana's exports. Now being built at BRE's Litchurch Lane works, Derby, the wagons are shipped in a "knocked down" state to Takoradi.



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Contractors warned to 'get tough'

By Malcolm Brown

Electrical contractors were told yesterday to "get tough" if they wanted to survive the next two years.

The warning came from Mr Michael Stothers, president of the Electrical Contractors' Association.

He told contractors in Birmingham that the next two years were going to be extremely difficult, particularly in the construction industry, and only the wise and the tough would survive.

Everyone was aware of the effects of inflation, and it was realized that sacrifice was needed—but in fair proportions, he said.

Mr Stothers continued: "The specifier, be he government or private client, has always taken the view that any financial risks should fall on the contractor. But is that reasonable when so many factors are outside the contractor's control?"

Many of the present contract conditions were still unfair in practice. These included delays in certification and payment, and the demand for fixed price tenders

Squeeze hits footwear deliveries

Stocks are continuing to pile up at British boot and shoe factories as distributors, hit by high interest rates and profit controls, tighten up on deliveries.

Figures published by the Department of Trade and Industry yesterday show that in the three months ending in August, deliveries to the retail trade were down by 1 per cent more than in the three months ending in May.

Net orders were 7 per cent lower than in the previous three months while at the end of August orders on hand were 11 per cent below the May level.

The index of production, however, was 11 per cent up on the three months ending in May. Actual deliveries at 14.3 million pairs during August were down by more than a million on the equivalent figure for August last year.

To combat the situation many manufacturers have placed workers on short time. A recent survey by the British Footwear Manufacturers' Federation claimed that nearly 44 per cent of the industry's labour force was working below full capacity.

Duke calls for boost to recycling

A call was made by the Duke of Edinburgh yesterday greater incentives for people to train for career recycling of industrial waste.

He told the Institute of Waste Studies Practitioners' seminar management conference in London that he hoped to see a "recycling boom" in the country.

"I think we all know improved technology and innovation are essential if we are to maintain our competitive position in the world, and if essential services for citizens are to be provided reasonable standard", he said.

"The question I answered is: How do we encourage enough people to undergo the necessary training to enable them to improve the services and innovation in industry?"

"One thing is quite certain you cannot expect them to do it and you certainly cannot force them to do it. The answer is that it must be of interest and the interest of the community, to do it."

"There is as much need for citizen participation in things as health, education, leisure and recreation there is for worker participation in industry", he added.

Waste collection: Mr Gordon, Parliamentary Under-Secretary, Department of Environment, said in London yesterday that waste collection by local authorities provides the greatest potential for extending the reclamation of materials for re-use.

Opening a two-day conference on reclamation and recycling organized by the Local Government Review, he said local authorities were aware that any effort must be both economically beneficial and fund expenditure and supply an appropriate long-term industrial market.

Business appointments

New ICI deputy chairman

Mr R. W. Pennock, commercial and planning director, has been elected a deputy chairman of the board of ICI with effect from February 1, 1975. He will join the three present deputy chairmen: Mr M. A. E. Hodgson, Mr S. D. Lyon and Mr R. S. Wright. Mr Wright is to become chairman of ICI next April.

Mr Robert Edmiston has been appointed financial controller, company secretary of Jensen Motors.

Mr M. N. Codd (Charlton Brett and Bournemouth) has been elected to fill the vacancy on the

Stock Exchange Council (Provincial Unit) which arose through the resignation of Mr A. Hanson.

Heinz Sippel has taken over as chairman of Hessische Landesbank-Girozentrale, replacing Herr Leopold Brocker, who has been ill.

Mr E. Shephard has been named by Midland Bank International Division as manager, export finance division, succeeding Mr G. F. Bryson, who recently became an assistant chief foreign manager, international division.

Mr J. M. Featherer has joined the board of Stait Carding Group.

Patent news

Oil storage from supertankers

As tankers become larger so the problem of storing the oil they offload becomes greater. In BPI 365 264, Theodorius Prins Azn, of Holland, suggests that the answer is to build a dyke or dam in a river or just offshore in the sea. Such a technique avoids not only the need to waste valuable land space on oil storage but also minimizes fire risk.

First, a large steel-plate caisson is erected, for instance along the sea shore, and the sand is dredged away to the desired depth of the oil reservoir.

A first compartment, rather like a small rectangular dry dock, is built from four caissons.

Then a string of similar compartments are built alongside the first, each with three caissons, to produce a honeycomb ring of rectangular storage compartments. These compart-

Screwdriver

In BPI 365 181, George Saragwanath, of Australia, describes and claims a simple but probably very effective new type of screwdriver. Conventional drivers must either incorporate a large handle or suffer from the disadvantage that the grip and purchase they provide for the user is inadequate.

The new proposal is to have a screwdriver with a relatively small handle, but one which incorporates a pivot halfway along its length. When the user needs to drive a screw hard home, he pivots the handle out of its normal straight position into a cross position, in which it resembles a pistol grip. The claim is that a pistol grip on even a relatively small handle gives a far better purchase than a straight grip on a normal handle of the same size.

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Profit Before Tax	£2,250,358	£1,672,932
Taxation	£742,263	£547,132
Extraordinary expense items net of Income Tax	£41,879	£509
Net Profit Attributable	£1,466,172	£1,123,936
Earnings per share	£0.21	£0.16

NOTE: Figures converted from SA to £Stg. at the rates ruling at 30.674 and 30.673 respectively.

- Further Bonus Issue 1 for 10 April 1974 - Dividend rate maintained on increased Capital.
- Despite World uncertainties demand for products continues to exhibit strong growth.

OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Introduction of Rondetta 110 - the revolutionary new belt magazine Slide Projector.
- Establishment of operations in France.
- Agreement reached to manufacture in the Republic of Ireland.
- Expansion of Australian Electrical Division into T.V., Radio and Home Entertainment Centres.
- Re-location of U.K. operations to Swindon completed.

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Grant-aided hoteliers warned of penalties if ownership changes are not notified

By Patricia Tisdall
There is to be tightening up by the English Tourist Board on owners of grant-aided hotels whose owners are failing to notify the board of change of ownership or usage.
Mr Dick Reeves, financial director of the ETB, said yesterday that in such cases, hoteliers might be liable not only to repay the grant, but also faced prosecution for withholding information.
At least one hotelier had already been prosecuted on these grounds, he said. In total, according to the ETB, 21 hotels had repaid their grants out of 115 transfers of ownership notified and approved by the board. But Mr Reeves said there was

expected to be a "considerable" increase in repayments this year.
Altogether the Government is expected to pay out a total of £47m in grants for hotel improvements under the Hotel Development Incentives Scheme, which ended in March last year, against an original cost estimate of about £19m.
The scheme, which is administered by the English Tourist Board, set up a year after it came into operation, has been described as one of the most clumsily worded pieces of legislation on the Statute Book.
The directions made by the Treasury and the Department of Trade as to the conditions of the scheme oblige grant-aided

hoteliers to advise and receive the consent of the ETB if their hotel is sold within the period set out in the grant conditions.
In the case of new hotels, and extensions of new letting bedrooms, this period is 10 years from the date of payment of the grant. In the case of improvements to a hotel in the form of fixed equipment, the period is three years.
Mr Reeves said: "We would like to make it quite clear that when a grant-aided hotel is sold but continues to operate as a hotel, responsibility attaching to the grant can be assumed by the purchaser by means of a deed of covenant."
"In this case the vendor is relieved of any further liability

to the board. However, such a deed is exceedingly difficult to negotiate after the premises are sold."
If arranged before the sale, obtaining the deed was a comparatively straightforward transaction and the board's consent was not normally refused, providing the hotel continued to operate along the same lines under new ownership.
This meant that, for example, it offered the same number of letting bedrooms, meals service, etc.
Grant-aided hotels were regularly inspected by the ETB, and failure to notify it of such changes could equally lead to a demand for repayment of the grant.

French cost of living index moves up 1.2pc

Paris, Nov 28.—France's official cost-of-living index rose in October by 1.2 per cent, according to the Ministry of Economics today. This compares with 1.1 per cent the month before, Richard Wigg reports.
While the increase sets back the goal of reducing the rate of inflation set last June by M Jean-Pierre Fourcade, the Minister, because of the low August figure the government can still point to an improvement in the fight against inflation over the past three months—from an annual rate of 15.2 per cent in July to a 13 per cent level now.
Increases in the cost of bread, milk and sugar were the chief food components of the official price "basket" which were reflected in the index.

Proposed lending capacity of Finance for Industry

From Mr Clive Jenkins
Sir, I wonder whether you or your numerate readership can enlighten me on the following points concerning the proposed £1,000m lending capacity of Finance for Industry.
What was the record of the FCI in 1973? Through whom will the loans be made and on exactly what criteria?
What will the interest rate to industry be set at? Will it be 11 per cent above bank availability rate or cheaper? If cheaper—why—and to whom?
Will pension scheme members or policy holders be expected to forego future benefits if pension funds and insurance companies participate at low rates of return?
Will the applicants for and recipients of FFI monies be made known to both the public and employees of the enterprise or will commercial anonymity prevail?
Will only flourishing com-

panies get loans or will there be government guarantees for those in difficulties?
Over what time period will loans be made and for what purposes? When will the money be available? How much money will any single enterprise get as a loan?
These are merely a few of the questions to which financial laymen like me need answers. It must be obvious to all that politically they represent a retreat into old client-customer relationships which need have no relevance to national social objectives and in which the vital worker relationship is not even on the agenda.
Yours faithfully,
CLIVE JENKINS,
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Letters to the Editor

Agriculture's to forces gather to plan strategy

From the Duke of Northumbria
Sir, At its meeting last week the Economic Development Committee for Agriculture decided to undertake a strategic study covering many aspects of the future development of United Kingdom agriculture over the next few years.
Many organizations within agriculture are represented the EDC, including National Farmers' Union, National Union of Agricultural Workers, and Country Landowners' Association, as well as the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. We also have a representative from the food processing industry.
At our next meeting, committee will be considering details of the programme work for this exercise. I am sure we will fully take account both the prints and by Lord Rothschild, Leonard Amey in their arid and those raised in the correspondence which has followed from them.
Yours faithfully,
NORTHUMBERLAND,
Chairman, Economic Development Committee for Agriculture,
National Economic Development Office,
Millbank Tower,
Millbank,
London, SW1.

Brickmakers again forced to stockpile

By Malcolm Brown
Brickmakers are stockpiling heavily again in October, according to figures released last night by the Department of the Environment.
If bricks continue to be stored at the present rate the industry could find itself with a dangerously high total of more than 1,000 million bricks in stock when the better building weather approaches next spring.
This could prove an insupportable burden for many firms if the building market does not pick up then.
The department said yesterday that brick production in October reached 501 million but deliveries totalled only 430 million. The stocks increased over the month from 746 million to 817 million, equivalent to seven weeks' production.
Seasonally adjusted production was about 6 per cent below that of September and 25 per cent lower than in October 1973. On the same basis deliveries were down 3 per cent and 31 per cent.
With an ever-increasing proportion of capacity being closed down or "othballad" because of the building slump, the brickmakers face a serious situation unless there is a resurgence of activity in building within the next six months.
During October, according to the Department of the Environment, cement production averaged 351,000 tonnes a week and deliveries 345,000 tonnes.
Seasonally adjusted production fell by 2 per cent compared with September and by 14 per cent on an annual comparison. On a similar basis deliveries were up by 1 per cent on September and down 16 per cent on October 1973.

Decision on nuclear merchant ship soon

By Peter Hill
Government decisions on whether to go ahead with the development of a prototype nuclear merchant ship are expected shortly.
Experts from the Department of Industry and the Atomic Energy Authority have been involved in detailed work over the past few months in re-assessing the economic viability of such a project in the wake of the enormous increase in oil prices since the previous autumn.
The results of their work are now being collated and it is expected that their report will be published early next year when the shipping and shipbuilding industries, together with other interested parties, will be invited to take part in consultations with the Government.
Much of the basic groundwork was done in a report published in 1971 based on a study ordered by the Ministry of Technology. At that time it was considered that nuclear propulsion was not competitive with traditional fuels, particularly oil.
Vickers, which has retained a small team of experts on nuclear merchant ship propulsion for a number of years, has been strongly behind the moves to press ahead with research and development in this field.

OPEC sets unchanged crude price

Vienna, Nov 28.—Experts of the organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries ended a three-day meeting today with a recommendation to maintain 1975 crude oil prices at the present level. An OPEC delegate explained: "This recommendation was made for the sake of economic stability."
OPEC's economic commission met here on Tuesday to draft price proposals for 1975 and study recommendations for a better pricing system. Their recommendation will be submitted for approval to the OPEC ministerial meeting here on December 12.
"The economic commission will meet again two days before the ministerial meeting to work out technical details of the recommendation", the delegate said. The present posted price of crude is \$11.65 a barrel.
It was stated that the economic commission also discussed a new single pricing system to safeguard the consumer, which would be governed by supply and demand.
General outlines of this plan were worked out at a meeting of experts from OPEC's 13 member states last month.
Allegations against Mobil: Australia's subsidiary of the Mobil Oil Company, it was alleged, had made well over \$1.75m from illegal payments and secret commissions, according to a statement in the Victoria State Parliament.
Mr Clyde Holding, opposition Labour Party leader, told the Legislative Assembly the alleged deals had been carried out through a series of marketing agreements with tyre-battery and accessory suppliers.

Dr Gerling rejects banks support plan

A West German banking consortium said yesterday that Dr Hans Gerling and his Zurich insurers have refused its offer to help Dr Gerling compensate creditors of the collapsed Herstatt Bank.
The consortium, led by Westdeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale and Deutsche Bank AG, said it did not see any further way it could help in trying to ensure success of a compensation plan for the creditors.

Time to rethink and debate many economic fundamentals

From Mr Alan Hearn
Sir, In view of the present economic situation (I hesitate to use "crisis", a word which when proffered in the business world has self-fulfilling tendencies) it is perhaps time for a basic rethink and debate on many of the tenets of the "economics of everyday life".
Attention should be drawn to the so-called advantageous economics of large-scale production for much of today's economic theory and business sense is built upon this concept of "the bigger the better", the natural consequences of which is to concentrate industry in specific locations, thus necessitating vasty greater use of transport facilities, to move both raw materials and finished products, than would be required if the location of industrial production was scattered throughout the country.
This high level of transport demand has numerous repercussions, but three may be singled out as being of particular importance to both the future of the private enterprise and to the "national interest".
First, rising oil prices will cause the price of finished goods to rise rapidly as transport costs form such a large percentage of total production costs. Secondly, even a small compound growth of the economy means that the roads will become even more congested, necessitating expenditure on high class roads—motorway construction costs are average

£5 bag of sugar

From Mr W. J. Whyman
Sir, £5 for a bag of sugar. Although this may seem a rather ludicrous statement, I want to say it is true.
A certain well-known supermarket, near by my own sugar shelf that this could be "bought only if tomatoes purchased £5 worth groceries."
For myself I do not see buy sugar as regular item but was absolutely horrified watch housewives and pensioners staring bewildered at the notice.
I was so concerned that I contacted the local Citizens Advice Bureau. They assured me in fact this practice is perfectly legal, although they were distressed by the £5 1st.
Last year were we not to ransom by the power world "blackmailed" into giving in? Are we now seeing the of the food "blackmail"?

Renault buying Berliet

France's state-owned car maker Renault will buy Societe Berliet, the truck subsidiary of Citroen, sources said yesterday in Paris. The transfer of Berliet is one of the conditions set by the government for a loan to Citroen and Peugeot, which are to merge soon.

Reliant sales lure

ReliantMotor Company is offering an interest rate to new car buyers of only 9 1/2 per cent from now until the end of January to stimulate sales of its Scimitar GTE sports car, and Robin three-wheeler. The normal rate is at least 16 1/2 per cent.

£40m GEC turbine order

A £40m order has been placed by the Central Electricity Generating Board with GEC Gas Turbines for 10 70MW turbines, it was announced yesterday. A letter of intent has already been sent to the group and contracts are expected to be signed within the next few weeks.
The CEGB intends to use the turbines as multi-purpose machines, embracing normal economic generation, provision

United Kingdom Activities

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The Investment Division has had a difficult time as might be expected when viewing the substantial falls in market values generally. However, with regard to our investment clients our policy has been to establish, wherever possible, a high degree of liquidity throughout the period.
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Overseas Activities

Turning now overseas, we have sold our shareholding in E. D. Sassoon Bank and Trust International Limited, Nassau (which is now 100% owned by the Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations), but we have retained a very close correspondent relationship with that bank, and we are delighted that the Managing Director, Mr. D. H. Mansfield, has agreed to remain on our Board.
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Board Appointments

I have already mentioned the appointment of three additional Directors on our commercial banking side: I should also like to welcome the appointments of Mr. M. A. Citroen (of Hermes) and Mr. N. Hewins (of Crown Agents), as non-executive Directors. Our full Board (including overseas Directors) now numbers fourteen.

The Future

I do not generally make forecasts for the future, other than to indicate the policy of the Board for a continuing expansion of our Bank on all fronts, both at home and abroad. In spite of the almost unprecedented conditions which surround us, I believe that the Bank will continue to expand. However, the rate of expansion must be dictated by our own ability to plot a prudent course between the increasing list of customers requiring our services, and the natural limitations imposed by the guide lines and regulations of the Authorities and our own financial and management resources.

Wallace Brothers Bank Limited

Mr. Desmond FitzGerald reports a continuing policy of high liquidity and increased shareholders' funds.

The Results
The financial year to 31st July 1974 has been one of substantial change and progress for the Bank.
During April 1974 the authorised and issued capital of the Bank was increased from £7.5 million to £9.0 million by the subscription for cash of £1.5 million of 7% cumulative preferred shares by a sister subsidiary within the Wallace Brothers Group. Shareholders' funds, as shown in the consolidated balance sheet, have increased during the period from £9.1 million to £11.1 million.
The consolidated profit and loss account for the year evidences a reasonable level of achievement when all the adverse factors of the economy during the period have been acknowledged. Profit before tax and extraordinary items was £1,028,073 compared with the previous year's figure of £1,288,943. After taxation, extraordinary items and dividends, the accretion to the reserves is £503,583.
The consolidated Balance Sheet shows a useful increase in most items, reflecting the continuing growth of the Bank (though not at the same proportionate rate as in earlier years). Deposits at £771 million compare with the previous year's figures of £724 million and in addition it will be seen that the Bank has begun to issue its own Certificates of Deposit (£4.2 million). A special word of appreciation is due to the Discount Market for their assistance in facilitating this operation, particularly by making a secondary market in our C.D.'s since issue. Both our subsidiaries in Jersey and Sydney have made substantial contributions to our deposit base and it is a matter of record that the aggregate of our current liabilities has increasingly benefited from the close links which we enjoy with a number of Group companies and associates in the U.K. and abroad. When the U.K. and World Money Markets are so restricted at the longer end, it is important to be able to attract substantial term funds from one's immediate Group associations. Acceptances on behalf of customers have shown a useful increase from £12.5 million to £15.0 million and our loans and advances to customers and other accounts from £32.2 million to £39.5 million. As mentioned in my last Statement, the Bank has always maintained a high degree of liquidity, and although this is not particularly profitable, it is a comfort to all that we can show consolidated first line liquid resources of £46.9 million.
The Bank has as a matter of deliberate policy ceased all activity in quoted share trading on its own account during the course of the year. At the same time, following the acquisition by our parent company of the majority of the outstanding shares in Hermes Securities Limited (the Bank itself already owns 60% of this company), a more logical re-arrangement of assets took

place during the year in order to take the fullest advantage of the proven skills and management of Hermes. As a result, in the investment field (both quoted and unquoted) the Bank itself now concentrates solely on those investments acquired during the year for the long term, where a special relationship exists between the Bank and the companies concerned and where the Bank has a continuing and meaningful role to play in their affairs.
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which led us to advise the postponement of two quite substantial new issues. Nonetheless the Division made a solid contribution to banking profits and was involved in an increasing number of merger and acquisition situations.
Our associated companies once again made a useful contribution to the Group results, largely due to the profitability of Hermes Securities Limited, which enjoyed another good year. This level of profit from Hermes is unlikely to be maintainable, at least in the current year, but the contribution of the Hermes executives in many aspects of the Bank's affairs is already proving immensely beneficial to the Bank. Meanwhile, the profitability of the other associated companies is expected to continue to grow.
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success. During the year we had occasion to welcome the appointment of Sir Giles Guthrie to the Board of the Jersey bank. More and more clients overseas are making use of the facilities of Jersey banks for the depositing of funds, the management of investments and the establishment of trusts and corporations. It is gratifying to feel that we are getting our share of this new and developing business.
In Australia, our wholly-owned subsidiary Wallace Brothers Sassoon Limited has further increased its assets and the scope of its operations. Through the banking company, Wallace Sassoon Limited, we have seen a most useful growth in assets, and that company produced a decent profit in extremely difficult circumstances. As in the U.K., so in Australia we have determined to stay liquid as our first priority even if this approach may restrict profitability over the short term. In order to maintain acceptable ratios and to accommodate the new business, the capital of our Australian Group has been further increased from A\$750,000 to A\$1.6 million.
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Consolidated Financial Statement as at 31st July, 1974

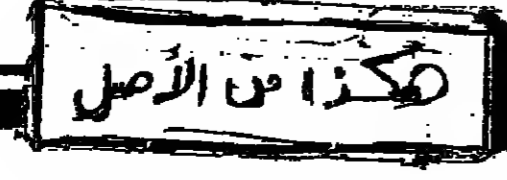
	1973	1974
Balances with bankers, money at call and short notice	27,430,675	22,378,559
Certificates of deposit and bills discounted	19,324,071	15,512,500
Quoted investments	1,087,779	2,880,557
Special deposit with the Bank of England	533,000	850,000
Term loans with banks and local authorities	2,909,154	7,303,387
Loans and advances and other accounts	30,493,358	32,196,074
Amounts due by group companies	412,400	183,093
Unquoted investments	492,639	655,095
Liability of customers for acceptances	1,025,000	12,482,300
Associated companies and long term investments	3,130,168	454,897
Fixed assets	349,292	274,716
	£109,746,161	£95,882,418
Deposits, current and other accounts	78,005,101	73,181,039
Certificates of deposit issued	4,239,000	—
Amounts due to group companies	1,292,618	399,330
Acceptances on behalf of customers	13,925,000	12,482,300
Outside shareholders' interest in subsidiaries	—	303,018
Paid up capital and reserves	11,113,111	9,108,311
	£109,746,161	£95,882,418

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Board reshuffled at French-Kier after £2.4m loss in six months

By Our Financial Staff
News of heavy interim losses and a boardroom reshuffle at construction group French Kier sent the shares tumbling 2p to a new "low" of 5p yesterday.

The impact of inflation, the energy crisis, delayed deliveries and high interest charges had been more severe than anticipated. In particular fixed price contracts in the group's motorway construction business, had resulted in work being completed at "wholly unrealistic prices".

In order to secure renewed profitability in the W. & C. French group a number of board changes had been mooted. Mr T. J. Wignall relinquished the chairmanship of the company, remaining on the main board, while Mr W. G. N. Rosch and Mr W. L. Kent resigned.

Stock markets

Property sector takes a fresh pounding

The stock market survived the announcement of ICI's third quarter results—which were regarded with satisfaction—with but one difficulty, but received a fresh body blow from news agency reports that "sources" think that a major property group is facing disaster.

Industrial and consumer equities merely drifted lower in the wake of the ICI statement. But property shares took a turn for the worse, with British Land a weak spot.

The FT index dipped to 167.3 ahead of ICI's announcement, to close finally at 167.3, a net fall of 3.6 points. At 6.50p, The Times index shed 0.67. Marked bargains were low at 5.21p, and amplified turnover figures for the previous session confirmed the pre-Budget "bed and breakfast" business was completed.

Equity turnover on November 27 was £31.6m (10,946 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph were Union Corporation, ICI, Bats, GEC, British Land, Cons Goldfields, P & O, National Westminster Bank, Charter Consolidated and Becham.

Issues & Loans

Council of Europe loan confirmed

The Council of Europe has agreed a 300m Luxembourg 10 per cent seven-year loan to the Luxembourg capital for which subscription lists at the end of next week manager Banque Lar Luxembourg said yesterday.

Mitsubishi to raise DM100m

Mitsubishi Heavy Inds will raise a DM100m loan, a proposed 10 per cent and five-year term managed Deutsche Bank AG, bond sources said in Frankfurt. Deutsche Bank declined to confirm the borrower, but provisional conditions DM100m foreign company offering will probably today.

Eng & O'seas qualified

Saddled by an auditors' qualification in that they were unable to express an opinion on the state of affairs of the company at March 31, or on its loss for the 15 months to date, English & Overseas Investments show a slide into a loss of £123,000 pre-tax against a profit of £249,000 (for a year). Turnover for the 15 months was £29.7m compared with £2m for 12 months. The final dividend is also passed.

Slower third quarter at Amalgamated Metal

By David Mott
With metal prices generally declining, in some cases steeply, trading conditions for Amalgamated Metal Corporation, controlled by Consolidated Tin Smelters, became more difficult in the third quarter.

The result is that the group was unable to maintain the "exceptional" rate of profit achieved in the first half—when the pre-tax soared from £1.53m to £5.47m—and in the third quarter growth was a much more modest 82 per cent to £2.36m. This leaves the first nine months figure at a still impressive £7.83m against £2.82m.

Profit and dividend from LMI

Shareholders of London & Midland Industrials are again to get a dividend payment after a year's omission with an interim payment of 1.5p. The board expects to make another payment for the full year. This follows a complete turnaround from a loss of £549,000 to a profit of £510,000.

EMI unlikely to beat peak £35m

Lower profits are envisaged for EMI, the international music, electronics and leisure group, following the preceding year's peak £35.0m pre-tax. Sir Joseph Lockwood, chairman, who retired after the annual meeting yesterday (to be succeeded by Mr John Read) told shareholders that group sales were at record levels, but margins were not keeping pace and interest costs had risen sharply. Consequently, profits were hard to maintain.



Generally, last year profits earned in the United Kingdom were slightly below the previous year, but those overseas—in Europe, North America and elsewhere—were significantly higher.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

Table listing Eurobond prices for various countries and maturities, including S. STRAIGHTS, FRANCE, GERMANY, ITALY, etc.

Bank Base Rates

Table of bank base rates: Barclays Bank 12%, FNFC 13%, Hill Samuel 12%, C. Hoare & Co 12%, Lloyds Bank 12%, Nat Westminster 12%, etc.

Daimler-Benz block sold

Bad Homburg, Nov 28
Without disclosing the identity of the purchaser, Herbert Quandt and the Harald Quandt heirs have sold the greater part of their holding in commercial vehicle group Daimler-Benz. The shares have been placed abroad, it is stated, as a long-term capital investment though the sale was handled by Dresdner Bank.

The Quandt family held about 14 per cent of Daimler-Benz. A spokesman declined to say how large a share had been sold, or the purchase price. Daimler shares closed at DM253 in Düsseldorf—down DM2 from the opening.

£3m French deal by Lucas

Joseph Lucas Industries is to acquire a 50 per cent stake in Roto-Diesel SA from La Société BDA for about £3m cash, subject to French government approval. The French company is situated at Blois, in the Loire Valley, about 100 miles southwest of Paris, and is the largest manufacturer of diesel fuel injection systems in that country. It was formed 14 years ago as a joint venture between DBA and Lucas to manufacture the Lucas range of CAV rotary pumps.

Hay's Wharf in leap to near £4m

Interim profits of Proprietors of Hay's Wharf were 16 per cent ahead—slightly higher than the budgeted level—but full results show a much increased rate of growth. On turnover 30 per cent higher at £31m for the year to September 30, pre-tax profit rose to £3.34m—comfortably a record. Its share of associates was little changed at £118,000 against £111,000, tax rose from £81,000 to £123m, making the attributable £2.38m compared with £2.42m. After extraordinary items, a debit of £229,000 against a credit of £724,000, earnings per share show a rise from an adjusted 10.02p to 15.32p. The year's dividend is up from the equivalent of 5.75p to 6.8p.

Anglovaal mining profits

The estimated net profits of Consolidated Murchison is up from £5m to £11.4m for this year and a final payment of 100 cents makes a total of 130 cents against 37 cents. At Associated Manganese Mines of SA the estimate is for a figure of R6.7m (R4.13m) with a total payment of 41 cents (4 cents) for Eastern Transvaal Consolidated Mines and of 85 cents (50 cents) at Hartbeestfontein Gold Mining. The Zandpan Gold Mining distribution is 14.25 cents (the previous 18 month period had three payments). All are members of the Anglovaal Group.

Underwriters' Nat Insurance

The Department of Trade has issued a correction of its press notice (which we published on October 11) stating that the department had prohibited Underwriters National Assurance Company, of Indiana, from taking on new business in Britain. It had stated that the company was in liquidation, subject to winding up. The department has now been informed by the company that it is an order of "rehabilitation" which has been made in respect of the company by a Superior Court in Indiana.

Richards Ltd

£50,000 share of the loss of an associate pulled back the profits of Richards Ltd, textile manufacturers, from £496,000 to £42,000 pre-tax in the year to September 30. Turnover was £5.7m (£5.9m). Earnings were down from 2.53p to 1.7p a share but the total dividend is up from 1.05p to 1.17p.

HAMBROS LIMITED Interim Statement. Hambro Group profits for the six months to 30th September, 1974, after making provision for unrealised falls in security values, are materially below those of the corresponding period of the previous year. Earnings from commercial banking operations are slightly ahead of those of last year, after taking a stringent view of possible debt losses, but results of other merchant banking operations including corporate finance activity and the management of customers' funds are at lower levels. It is impossible in present circumstances to make any prediction about the result for the full year, but for the first time an important aspect of the year's trading is expected to be a significant profit contribution to Group earnings from Hambro Life Assurance Limited. Interim dividends, net of tax credit, of 17.0p on the £10 shares (£2.50 paid) and of 1.7p on the fully paid 25p shares, and of 2.01p on the £1 'A' shares have been declared and will be paid to shareholders on 6th January 1975. The comparable rates of dividend paid last year were 15.75p on the £10 shares, 1.575p on the 25p shares, and 2.1p on the £1 'A' shares. The interim dividends on the £10 and 25p shares are approximately 12 1/2% greater than those paid last year. This follows the recent increase in permitted dividend levels and it would be the Board's intention, in the absence of unforeseen circumstances, to recommend a similar rate of increase in final dividends for 1974/75. The apparent reduction in the rate of dividend on the £1 'A' shares is due to an increase in the rate of tax credit, the gross dividend on these shares being unchanged at 3p per share.

EIH profit tumbles

Although turnover of Edinburgh Industrial Holdings in the 26 weeks to May rose by almost 73 per cent from £2.3m to £4.3m, pre-tax profits fell from £108,000 to £10,000 and there is to be no interim dividend against 0.37p.

Nchanga sales rise

Nchanga Consolidated Copper Mines had a sales income of £113.7m in the three months to September 30, bringing the six-month figure to £269.2m against £247.7m in the half-year to September, 1973. Pre-tax profits in the latest quarter were £32.6m (£21.8m) against £113.8m for the six months to last September, £115m in the same month in the year before, and £276.5m in the full year to last March. The latest quarter's after tax profit was only £15m (£10m) against £42.1m for the six months.

Grenfell to link up

Messrs Grenfell & Co and Colegrave & Co, members of the Stock Exchange, say that following the decision of Colegrave to dissolve, certain partners will join Grenfell which will be restyled Grenfell and Colegrave. Other partners will be associated with the new firm. This change is planned to take place in January, subject to the consent of the shareholders of the new firm which will be the offices of Grenfell in London Wall.

Ultra slips back

Turnover of Ultra Electronic Holdings in the first half to September 30 rose by 16.4 per cent to £3.8m, but rising costs cut taxable profits from £182,000 to £169,000 and again there is no interim dividend. The group returned in the dividend list for the first time last year after a lapse of three years.

British Steam

Following up last year's record profit of £1.16m before tax, British Steam Specialities has achieved a 30 per cent rise for the first half-year to £868,000. Turnover increased from £5.85m to £9.15m. Net profits of this specialist supplier of pipeline equipment are ahead from £437,000 to £571,000. The dividend goes ahead from 2.14p to 2.25p.

Miln Marsters link

The plan under which Lilleskog, the Swedish sugar beet producer, will take a 21.3 per cent stake in Miln Marsters has been approved by MM shareholders at an extraordinary meeting. Under the scheme the two companies will enter into a new 13-year trading agreement with MM selling the Swedish group's beet seed varieties in the United Kingdom. Mr A. Emanuelsson and Dr K. Lindqvist are joining the MM board.

Causton setback

Prints of printing group Sir Joseph Causton & Sons declined from £38,000 to £223,000 in the year to September 30 on turnover up from £7.17m to £8.47m. Earnings per share fell back from 3.1p to 2p. The final payment is unchanged at 2.45p. Profits include some £129,000 for a full year from an acquisition (£96,000 for nine months), £62,000 from another acquisition, and £10,000 for its share of a loss by an associated company.

Downing depressed

The housebuilding recession has led to an increase in the brick stocks of Giff Owning, the clay products group, and financing the stocks cost £250,000 in the half year to September 30. Reflecting continued pressure on margins, profits fell from (£104,000).

Inveresk bids

Inveresk Group has offered to acquire the whole of the issued share capital of Vernon Packaging, a Northampton-based public company which makes printed folding cartons. Assuming full acceptance the purchase consideration will amount to £1.75m and will be payable in cash in full on completion.

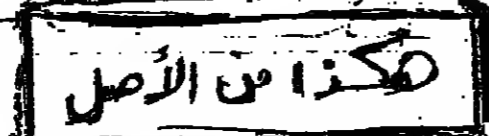
Briefly

BUCKLEY'S BREWERY: Turnover in half-year to September 30, £17.7m, pre-tax profit £280,000 (£235,000). Interim dividend 0.41p (0.37p).
E. E. JAVONS: In half-year to end-September taxable profits, £263,000 (£218,000); interim dividend, 1.11p (1p); unlikely that results for second half will reach level of same period last year.
NICHOLAS INTERNATIONAL: Chairman says trading has continued at depressed level up to present time and profit as at December 31 will be substantially down. But second half prospects expected to improve.
HICKING PENTECOST: Taxable profit half year in September 29, £267,000 (£218,000);

turnover £2.9m (£2.5m); interim dividend, 2.23p (2.14p); earnings per share, 3.76p (3.11p). Group has made good start in second half.
AMAL INDUSTRIALS: Group has bought 1.09 million Derrington shares at 5p each, taking its total holding to 6.05 million shares (50.6 per cent).
PROPERTY PARTNERSHIPS: Interim pre-tax profit up from £17,000 to £35,000. Dividend is 0.9p, against 0.75p.
PROP & REVERSIONARY: Pre-tax profit for half-year, £252,000 (£223,000). Interim is up from 1.42p to 3p. No dividend. Improvement in profit can be expected until end of tent freeze in June, 1975.
DOLAN PACKAGING: Chairman says sales and profits continue to rise.
HANOVER GRAND: Turnover for six months, £1.12m (£1.03m). Pre-tax profits £54,000

Board says results affected by three-day week; encouraging outlook for second half.
LM ERICSSON: Ericsson's profit during 1974's first nine months rose 15 per cent to \$124m (US). Before depreciation and tax—AP Dow Jones, Stockholm.
BRISTOL PLANT: Turnover for half-year, £1.27m (£1.23m). Taxable profit £177,000 (£224,000). Distributable profits, £131,000 (£150,000). Dividend is 0.45p (0.43p).
WAITE & SON: On turnover £825,000 (£731,000), for half-year, taxable profits are £205,000 (£180,000). Earnings a share, 3.8p (3.3p). Interim dividend 1.96p (1.78p).
OARTMOUTH INVESTMENTS: Taxable profit for half year £110,000 (£100,000). Interim dividend 0.25p (0.25p). Interim dividend that full year should produce increase on 1973-74.

FLIGHT REFUELLING: In half year in June '74, profits £250,000 (£215,000). Interim dividend 1.02p (1.0p) results for second half show an improvement on 1973-74.
SCOTTISH INV: Dividend in from 7 per cent, 8.20 per cent for a cur to Nov 5. Net profit, £22,000 (£60). Earnings a share 2.20p (1.13p).
BENFIELD & LONLEY: Again no interim payout, after £2.19m (£1.9m). Profit, £32,000 (£20,000). Taking steps to minimize cost of decline of orders in core industry.
FREDERICK COOPER LTD: Group turnover for half year September 30, £4,499m (£4,200m). Profit, £25,000 (£20,000). Interim dividend 0.61p (0.57p).
WHITBREAD INV: Dividend in from 6 per cent, 1.52p (1.21p).



MARKET REPORTS

Foreign exchange currencies, improved from 20.7 to 20.6 per cent. The gold price fell \$2.50 an ounce, to \$181.75.

Discount market Conditions were fairly comfortable in the discount market yesterday with secured call rates closing between eight and nine per cent against ten per cent at the opening, market sources said.

US markets closed All United States markets were closed yesterday for Thanksgiving Day.

Money Market Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 11 1/4% Last changed 29.11.74

Table with columns for various market indices like FTSE 100, DAX, Nikkei, etc. and their respective values and changes.

Commodities

COPPER steady. Afternoon - Cash price \$240.00/00.00. Market on three months' contract, \$247.00/00.00. Silver \$18.00/00.00. Wheat \$1.15/00.00. Soybeans \$1.15/00.00.

Spot Position of Sterling Markets in London, 29.11.74. New York 1.15 1/2, Hong Kong 1.15 1/2, Singapore 1.15 1/2.

Table showing Forward Levels for various currencies and commodities like Gold, Silver, Wheat, etc.

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Large table listing various authorized units, insurance policies, and offshore funds with their respective details and values.

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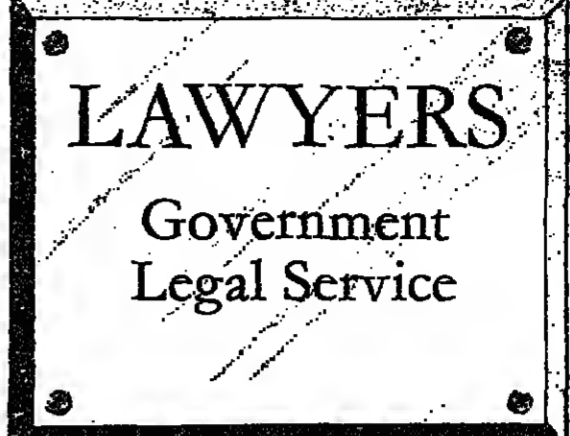


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Applications are invited for the following two posts: PERSONAL SECRETARY To the Deputy Chief Engineer...

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Apply giving age and details of experience to Senior Personnel Officer, British Waterways Board...

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ASSOCIATION EMPLOYMENT sought by divorced male university graduate... with 10 years teaching and administrative experience...

LINGUISTIC YOUNG MAN 133, in top-notch technical job... seeking a challenging position...

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